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Mandela mourns massacre victims

ANC demands dismissal of Ciskei's ruler

FROM MICHAEL HAMLYN IN BISHO

THE African National Congress insisted yesterday that the Bisho massacre would stand in the way of constitutional negotiations until Brigadier Joshua Gqozo, the military ruler of Ciskei, was removed from office.

The brigadier, who seized power in the nominally independent homeland two years ago, said yesterday he would not resign and insisted his troops, who had opened fire on an ANC march killing 28 and wounding 200, had acted with restraint.

Nelson Mandela, the ANC president, after visiting the site of the killings and laying a wreath of yellow flowers on the tarmac at the border between Ciskei and South Africa. said: "A climate of free political activity throughout the whole country, including

Germans warned of pay freeze or more tax

FROM IAN MURRAY

AS HELMUT Kohl, the embanled chancellor, faced in-creasing calls for a government of national unity. the German government yes-terday threatened new tax increases unless workers in the west agreed to accept a voluntary two- to three-year wage freeze to help with the costs of the reunification.

Theo Waigel, the finance minister, said his planned austerity programme would raise money for investment in the east while bringing down interest rates throughout Europe. At the same time he promised to cut benefits for asylum seekers and to find ways of stemming the flow of refugees entering the country. Resentment about the influx of refugees has led to a wave of violent attacks on foreigners. A new poll shows that support for the extreme right is now over 10 per cent nationwide and is stronger in the west than in the east.

Herr Kohl told a meeting of his ruling Christian Democrats that there was "not the slightest reason" for "dis-graceful rumours" suggest-ing that Wolfgang Schäuble, the CDU parliamentary leader, had been plotting to challenge the chancellor and create a grand coalition with the Social Democrats.

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the bantustans, is an impor-tant condition for the resum-

ing of talks."
Cyril Ramaphosa, the ANC secretary-general was more specific. "How can we now sit down in multilateral negotiations with Goozo after he has killed so many of our people?"

At a press conference in King William's Town, Mr Mandela demanded that Brigadier Goozo be removed and that an interim government, acceptable to all parties, be established immediately what are the control of Cickei diately. That section of Ciskei law prohibiting free activity of any political organisation should also be repealed and South African military intelligence officials together with staff of a private company, which had been involved in arming and training vigilante forces, should be removed.

"From this day," Mr Man-dela said, "Bisho will rank with Boipatong on that roll-call of infamy that recounts the past two years of F.W. de Klerk's incumbency." [Forty-three people in the pro-ANC community of Boipatong were killed in June when Zulus of the Inkatha movement attacked the township].

Standing in the road where ANC demonstrators had been killed on Monday, Mr Mandela said: "It is a very emotional moment for us to think that those who are fighting for democracy, for peace, for love among South Africans, should be mown down by those who fear democracy.

Mr Mandela arrived at the border surrounded by several hundred jubilant supporters who had spent a chilly night of vigil at the site. They were joined yesterday by Archbish-op Desmond Tutu, head of the Anglican church in southem Africa. Bishop David Russell of Grahamstown, whose diocese covers the site.

said a prayer in Xhosa calling for God to intervene to end the madness. Archbishop Tutu spoke in a mixture of Xhosa and English, sometimes at the same time, saying that he and his colleagues

had come to show solidarity ... "not with the ANC, but to show our solidarity with our people in their struggle for justice and peace".

The church leaders then crossed the scrubby bushland separating the marchers from the legislative and adminis-trative offices of the Ciskei government and were invited to meet Brigadier Goozo. He dismissed their request for him to install an interim government, but they persuaded him to accept some democratic consultation with the inhabitants of Ciskei.

After visiting the site of the killings, Mr Mandela went to the Victoria stadium in the centre of King William's Town where a crowd of several thousand had spent most of the day. He offered condolences and urged discipline; the demonstrators then began to return to their townships.

In London, Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, condemned the killing and wounding of ANC supporters, as well as the killing of 10 people at a political gathering in Natal last Friday.

He had led a visit by the troika of EC foreign ministers to South Africa last week to discuss the ending of violence. In Brussels yesterday the Community announced that, as a result of a decision made during that visit, it would send at least 15 political observers to South Africa to help to curb the racial

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'Secret ballot' poll helps voters to tell the truth

By ROBIN OAKLEY, POLITICAL EDITOR

ONE of Britain's biggest opinion polling organisations is to adopt a "secret ballor" to overcome the reluctance of voters to reveal which party they intend to support. The change by ICM is the first attempt to counter the pollsters' failure accurately to measure public opinion on the eve of the last general

election. ICM says that about 30 per cent of the variation between the polls and the result was attributable to a late swing.

But the biggest problem they have identified was that of people who refused to say how they would vote; ICM subsequently determined that most of these in fact voted Tory. The outcome of the election was described by Bob Worcester. Mori's chairman, as "the worst result for the opin-

An average of the final preelection polls by the five main polling groups - Mori. Gal-Continued on page 16, col 8

ion polls since they were



TUC greets bosses' man with cheers and a walkout

BY ROSS TIEMAN, INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

AN HISTORIC new era of dialogue between employers and workers is in prospect after the director-general of the CBI promised an "open door" to members of the Trades Union Congress in Blackpool.

Despite issuing an uncompromising call for pay restraint, especially in the public sector, Howard Davies signalled a willingness to work with the unions on areas of common concern. However, there would be no return to "corporatism", he said.

Mr Davies' speach was the first to the TUC by an employers' representative since its formation 124 years ago. Arthur Scargill, the miners' leader, lead a walkout by 40 delegates, but those who remained cheered loudly when Mr Davies called for more

government spending on infrastructure and more pay restraint by company

Focusing on common ground between the TUC and CBI on some European issues, Mr Howard said: "The CBI will take part in the social dialogue. We welcome the opportunity it offers for employers and trade unions to agree on measures which will be of benefit to both sides, rather than waiting for sometimes ill considered proposals to emerge from the Commis-

sion's bureaucracy." Although he did not hesitate to emphasise differences of view. Mr Davies took an important step towards meeting TUC calls for a "social partnership" with employers on the European model. He said the TUC and CBI held

similar positions on training and the need for the government to stimulate the construction industry. "I am sure there is more business to be done together," he said: "We both want a highly skilled, prosperous workforce which can build a successful, hu-

mane and generous society." The tensest moment came when Mr Davies renewed his call for all public sector pay increases to be financed through productivity gains. To loud jeers, he said: "I know that message will not be welcome to everyone here. But we believe that the public sector should accept private sector disciplines on pay. And Continued on page 16, col 6

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Monopolies enquiry will check medical fees 'cartel'

By JEREMY LAURANCE **HEALTH SERVICES CORRESPONDENT**

THE "cartel" within which hospital consultants decide their own lees for private work is to be investigated by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission amid concern that doctors earnings from private practice are too high.

Sir Bryan Carsberg, direc-tor-general of the Office of Fair Trading, yesterday asked the commission to enquire into the setting of "guideline" fees by the British Medical Association to be charged by consultants. If the guidelines were adhered to by a "significant proportion" of doctors it would "raise the question of how effective fees competition is between consultant doctors".

The BMA said it would cooperate fully with the commission's investigation but claimed that publication of the scale of fees, which are intended as a guideline only, was in the public interest. It was intended to help GPs advise patients of the likely cost of private treatment and to protect patients from overcharging.

"We strongly urge consultants to discuss with their patients the cost of treatment," a spokesman said.

The private insurers also 'The level of consultants' fees and the difficulty of influencing them is a continuing concern," said Roy Forman, chief executive of Private Patients

David Cavers, chief executive of Norwich Union Health Care, said: "As far as the customer is concerned the more light that can be shed on the way the fees are established the better." The guidelines were first published by

the BMA in 1989. The latest set, published last week, cover 1,500 procedures from re-moval of a wisdom tooth (fee £310) to a liver transplant (surgeon's fee £5,825. anaesthetist's fee £2,330). Bupa, the largest health insurer, has its own scale of fees which closely follows the BMA's.

About 12,000 consultants do some private practice earning an average of almost £50,000 on top of maximum part-time NHS salaries ranging from £45,000 to £86,000. Most charge according to the BMA and Bupa scales. A surgeon who performs a couple of major operations in an afternoon can easily supplement his NHS salary by £1,000 a week. But the range of private earnings is wide from a few hundred pounds to more than £100,000.

Private insurers claim that the rate at which consultants earn in the private sector is Continued on page 16, col 3

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BBC rotters give 'stoutist' Bunter the bumps



By Melinda Wittstock media correspondent

BILLY Bunter has been bumped again, but this time the rotters responsible are the BBC, who believe that today's politically correct children would be offended by the old comic strip's "stoutism and racism". A script for an animated television series about Greyfriars School's Fat Owl of the Remove was thought to be "dated" by its public school carica-

tures and racial stereotypes.
"Children are far quicker than adults at spotting and rejecting cases of racism and stoutism." Mikael Shields, BBC Enterprises' head of business develop-ment for children's programmes, said. "Our editorial colleagues thought it

would be dated." Frank Hawkey, a publisher who approached the BBC with the script idea, rejected such sears as an absurd excuse.

They told me it would encourage people to become fat like Billy Bunter and suggested the only way it might succeed is to make it contemporary, like Grange Hill."

Enid Blyton's Toyland characters will appear soon in a new BBC animation series, but only after being sanitised for more politically correct consumption. Golliwogs have been replaced by grem-lins or monkeys, the people are no long-er "gay" and Noddy is no longer allowed to feel "queer".

It is unlikely that the Greyfriars boys' attitude to their Indian schoolmate Hurree Jamset Ram Singh, whom they called inky, would find favour with the Commission for Racial Equality. But the BBC does not believe that even a politically corrected version of the Bunter comies - a childhood favourite of

John Major - would be acceptable. Mr Hawkey, who proposed featuring the voices of John Cleese as Mr Quelch the schoolmaster and Michael Palin as

Harry Wharton, has not given up hope that another broadcaster might give Bunter a new lease on life. He has commissioned a writer to update the comic. with some episodes to feature Japanese sumo wrestlers.

Bunter, created by Charles St John Hamilton under the pen name of Frank Richards, appeared in a television series 40 years ago, but it was not a favourite with the critics. One said: "Al the flavour that we remember of the old Magnet stories, full of japes and jam tarts, noisy raggings and famous phrases, was missing. In its place was a schoolboy comedy, which amounted to little more than slapstick."

Last night the BBC said: "This is one

of hundreds of ideas offered to BBC Children's Television. At the time it was offered, it was felt that there was not a place for Billy Bunter in the schedule."

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NHS surgeons paid £1,150 for an afternoon's private work

By JEREMY LAURANCE AND ALISON ROBERTS

A CONSULTANT orthopaedic surgeon who takes a Friday afternoon off to do a couple of private hip replacements and charges the British Medical Association "guideline" fee of £775 would supplement his NHS salary of £50,000-plus by £1,550 a

Most of the 12,000 consultants who do some private practice - two thirds of the total - charge at these rates or the marginally lower rates paid by Bupa. Only the top names in the profession

The vast majority hold NHS posts and do the private work in their spare time. Only a handful work exclusively in

the private sector. Until the scale was first published in 1989, many consultants relied on rule of thumb to calculate their fees. One said that he had a friend who was a management consultant who charged — in the mid-1980s - £150 an hour and he tried to charge the same.

Bupa, the largest health insurance company, publishes a scale of fees it will pay consultants for different types of operations. Subscribers who want treatment by a consultant who charges more are required to pay the difference out of their own pocket.

Private Patients Plan, the second largest insurer, has a secret scale of fees. If a consultant exceeds the limit, his bill is queried. "As soon as you publish scales they be**BMA FEES**

Liver transplant Hip replacement Removal of hasmorrhoids Stripping of varicose

under anaesthetic

come targets," said Roy Forman, chief executive. He would not disclose how the scale was established but said it did not involve comparison with other professions or doccountries.

Private insurers are divided

over whether the fees paid to consultants are excessive. David Cavers, chief executive of Norwich Union Health Care, said that a surgeon doing private work could earn I consider that an inadvis-£50,000 on average, the same

as his NHS salary, but in only one sixth of the time. That was equivalent to £300.000 a year. "That is vastly in excess of what we would have to pay in any other market place," he themselves decide should be But Mr Forman said that

many consultants did not earn large sums from private practice until a very late stage in their careers. "It takes a doctor a pretty long time to get to that level and you have to take that into account."

If the fees were cut there could be "a drying up of the supply" of consultants pre-

pared to do the work. But he did not say where they would go. Many smaller insurers quote the BMA fee scale as the figure they will pay.

able course," said Mr Forman, who is chairman of the Private Medical Insurance Committee of the Association of British Insurers. "It makes the insurer dependent on what the specialists, via the BMA,

The association has published its scale of fees since 1989 in response to demands from members. "Doctors wanted some sort of marker to help them explain the costs to patients," a spokesman said.

"A lot of patients think some of these things are enormously expensive and doctors needed

something to point to." The association drew up the scale with help from the private health insurance companies after studying similar scales in America and Australia, the

spokesman added. The work involved in different surgical procedures was assessed and ranked according to criteria such as the skill required and the length and complexity of the operation.

However, the pricing of the procedures was done by the association alone, without assistance from the insurance companies.

Mr Forman said: "You have relation between the procedures which is rationally based but the pricing is commercial-

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Secure hospitals to face wide review

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Closure of Britain's top-security mental hospitals will come a step nearer next week with the announcement of a review of their future Deremy Laurance writes. Virginia Bottomley, health secretary, has bowed to pressure for the review after an enquiry found that a brutal regime had operated at Ashworth hospital on Merseyside. She had planned a more limited review, of the running of the hospitals. The future of Broadmoor, Rampton and Ashworth special hospitals will now be considered by a working group of about 20 managers and specialists chaired by Dr John Reed, a medical officer at the health department. Officials accept that radical pruning of the hospitals may be needed but are understood still to oppose wholesale closure. Establishment of the working group was announced by Mrs Bottomley last month; she said it would consider "the culture" of the hospitals, not closure. One option is to close old parts of Broadmoor and Ashworth, keep the new and put more patients in regional secure units. The Special Hospitals Service Authority could then relinquish responsibility for running the hospitals and be a purchasing authority, buying secure care from the NHS.

Break-in at Pavilion

Chinese vases and other objects worth up to £150,000 have been damaged in a break-in at Brighton Pavilion (Simon Tait writes). Ann Kenny, keeper of public services, said: "It was a shocking attack. We are laboriously piecing the objects together again to assess exactly what the damage is, but a preliminary estimate of the value is £100,000 to £150,000." The building's electronic security system detected an intruder as he broke through a window into the main saloon on Monday night and a man was arrested almost immediately. Brighton Pavilion was designed by John Nash and built between 1815 and 1822 as the holiday palace of the Prince Regent, later George IV. In 1975 a student set fire to the music room and repairs cost £250,000. A man will appear before Brighton magistrates this morning charged with criminal damage.

Dumping defended

British military vessels will continue to dump ammunition at sea in spite of claims by the environmental group Greenpeace that they are flouting international law (Nicholas Watt writes). A defence ministry spokeswoman said Britain was not breaking international law by failing to tell the London Dumping Convention that it was disposing of ammunition in the Atlantic. She said: "The convention does not apply to us." British military vessels had crown immunity which exempted them. The ministry is expected to dump 8,405 tons of ammunition in the sea this year compared with 7.656 tons in the four years up to 1992. The high figure results from the phasing-out of some systems.

Poll tax warning

Abolishing county councils in England to create a single tier of all-purpose district authorities would add £36 a head to the poll tax, according to figures published yesterday (Douglas Broom writes). A study by accountants Coopers & Lybrand Deloitte, commissioned by the Association of County Councils, found that abolishing the counties as many advocate would increase the cost of local government by £780 million a year.

Differential Englands and Bureaucratic incompetence over the poll tax and the failure of councils to control unruly tenants led to a onethird increase in complaints to local government ombudsmen in the year to April.

Finance chief quits

The chairman of the finance committee of Sheffield council, which faces a £40 million shortfall next year, resigned yesterday. Howard Knight denied that his resignation was connected with the city's mounting cash problems. The council is still trying to balance this year's budget, and next month will receive a final report into its £10.4 million loss on the World Student Games. Mr Knight said that he had resigned for personal reasons, brought about by pressure of work on his family and social life. "I don't think I am throwing in the towel at a difficult time." Opposition councillors claimed that his resignation came as Labour leaders fell out about how to handle the cash crisis.

Escort relaunched



The Ford Escort, Britain's best-selling car, is relaunched today, only two years after a new model that cost £1 billion to develop was put on the market (Kevin Eason writes). The latest version, above, has a new front grille and ten structural changes to improve safety. Ford has refused to disclose the cost of the revamp, but it is believed that, with the retooling of the Halewood plant on Merseyside, it would have cost at least £100 million. The redesign came after criticism that the Escort was not as advanced as many of its competitors. The Escort and Orion ranges are vital to Ford's supremacy in the United Kingdom market, where it accounts for almost a quarter of all car sales.

County Hall concern

The Japanese company that wants to convert County Hall, the former home of the Greater London Council, into a hotel should provide financial guarantees before the project goes ahead, the Labour party said yesterday. Jack Straw, the shadow environment secretary, said that without firm assurances about the company's ability to fund the estimated £120 million conversion costs there was a risk that the building would be left an empty shell. In a letter to Michael Howard, the environment secretary, Mr Straw said the property market in Tokyo was in a worse state than London's. A spokesman for Shirayama said Mr Straw had "gone too far" in questioning the company's viability.

Schools chief vows to defend standards

By MATTHEW D'ANCONA, EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

STEWART Sutherland, the new chief inspector of schools, yesterday launched the revamped and renamed inspections service, the Office for Standards in Education (Ofsted), and promised parents that classroom and examination standards would be rigorously defended by the new watchdog.

From next year, indepen-dent teams led by registered inspectors and including lay members will bid for inspection contracts expected to be worth £5,000 to £30,000. Professor Sutherland, who is also vice-chancellor of London University, said that more than 4.000 people had applied for posts as inspectors

"My office is now heavily

links between Scotland and

the rest of the United

In a move that risks raising

unrealistic expectations of a

big shift of power away from

Westminster, Mr Major will take soundings about the state

of the union during a three-

hour session on a visit to

Details of the participants

have not been released, but

they are said to include figures

from "all walks of life" north of

the border. Politicians, coun-

cillors, academics, lawyers,

businessmen and church and

charity leaders are expected to

give their views on possible

The exercise will be the first

tangible sign that the prime minister is delivering his elec-

tion pledge to "take stock" of

the devolution debate on his

return to Downing Street. On

his two-day trip he will also

deliver a keynote speech on the economy to the Confederation

of British Industry, go on a walkabout and visit Holyrood-

house in Edinburgh to view

preparations for the European

Community summit in

During the election cam-paign, Mr Major surprised

many observers with the vehe-

mence of his defence of the

union and his condemnation

of Labour's devolution propos-

als as a halfway move towards

the break-up of arrangements

that had served the country

well for nearly 300 years. In

his final setpiece campaign

speech at Wembley in north London, he urged his fellow countrymen to "wake up" to the danger to the UK. The

Conservatives' subsequent

strong showing in Scotland

and the rest of the country

appeared to vindicate his

CORRECTION

Richard Noble is not a mem-

ber of the Bluebird 9 team as

stated in The Times on Sep-

December.

constitutional changes.

Scotland later this week.

Kingdom.

engaged in the assessment of this avalanche of applications and nearly 1,000 have already passed the first scrutiny and will be invited to take up a place on the Ofsted training scheme." The first series of training seminars will begin on Monday, with an eventual target of between 200 and

1,000 accredited inspectors. According to statistics re-leased yesterday, the typical applicant is white, male, aged 40 to 49 and lives in the South East. Most of the 600 applications for lay posts are from managers, directors and other professionals, with a handful sent in by secretaries, policemen and soldiers.

Traditionalist critics have argued that the new inspectorate will differ only cosmetically

The government intends to

put forward proposals by the

end of the year for "refreshing and developing" the union,

according to senior ministerial

sources in Scotland. The

sources cautioned against "dramatic changes" but indi-

cated there may be scope to enhance Scotland's identity

The proposals are likely to

focus on the way in which

Scottish business is handled at

within the UK.

minister's agenda.

Major asks leading

Scots for views

on the constitution

By Nicholas Wood, political correspondent

THE prime minister is to host stance. However, he has also

an unprecedented round of indicated that he is prepared talks with leading Scots about the future of constitutional points about Scotland's future.

from its predecessor, the 150year-old Her Majesty's Inspectorate, citing the rejection of applications from traditionalist teachers who have openly opposed progressive educational orthodoxy.

However, Professor Sutherland said that Ofsted would work within a much tougher framework of criteria, assessing schools once every four years with reference to pub-lished indicators such as results in national curriculum tests and public examinations and truancy rates, which would eventually be compared with international figures. The office's reports, to be published only at local level, would be "written in jargonfree language".

John Patten, the education secretary, said Ofsted would "provide all schools with an ncentive for improvement". The inspectorate will be under intense pressure to prevent a repetition of the present furore over GCSE standards, and to police standards in schools

judged to be "at risk". Ann Taylor, Labour education spokeswoman, said that the new system offered no guarantee of consistency. "Inspectors will be sent into schools with little training, and the only team leaders will have any direct contact with Ofsted. This is a recipe for an uneven and sub-standard national system of maintaining

standards in our schools." Peter Smith, general secretary of the Assistant Masters and Mistresses Association. said the that the folly of the reforms would soon become clear. "To do a credible, first-class job the new body has got to be strengthened in terms of resources and numbers. In its present structure and size it

will struggle".

The ruling Labour group
on Birmingham City Council Westminster, the role of the Scottish Office and develophas denied suppressing a rement and creation of bodies promoting Scottish interests. port on the city's schools that Home rule and a Scottish suggested that a determined effort was needed to lift educaassembly are not on the prime tional standards, in spite of However, such moves will be dismissed as mere windowrecent improvements in examination results.

dressing by the government's opponents in Scotland. The report, by Sir Peter Newsam, director of the Insti-The prime minister and his tute of Education at London senior colleagues believe that University, and dated Februthe outcome of the election in ary, was published by the Scotland, where the Tories authority on the eve of an confounded expectations by education policy meeting of gaining a seat, has taken some of the steam out of the devoluthe city council due to be held last night at the request of the Tory opposition. The Labour tion debate. "The issue has group said the report's publichanged because the electorcation had been delayed to allow Sir Peter to indicate ate restated its commitment to maintaining the union," one which sources he had used.



Desert rescue: Sergeant Dennis Rogers reflecting on his award for gallantry

Two honoured for Kuwait rescue

By Peter Victor

AN RAF bomb sergeant who crawled across a minefield to rescue two injured Kuwaiti boys has been awarded the George Medal. Sergeant Dennis Rogers,

 37, who was serving with the UK Explosive Ordnance Disposal Cell in Kuwait after the Gulf war but had no experience of breaching minefields, twice risked crossing scores of anti-personnel mines to rescue the boys aged ten and thirteen. Corporal Christopher Win-ter, 26, the sergeant's army assistant, has been awarded in the rescue. The two were called by local police to an Iragi-laid minefield in Kuwait on June 20 last year. They found the two boys lying in the middle of scores of anti-personnel mines on a beach. Each had lost a leg and suffered multiple cuts but they

were conscious. Sergeant Rogers, now based at RAF Stafford, fastened a secure line to Corporal Winter and entered the minefield. He crawled towards the first boy and carried him to safety. Despite suffering dehydration in temperatures above 35C, he returned to collect the other

for Brave Conduct for his part boy. He had to pass through more mines to reach him as he was further along the beach. Sergeant Rogers then re-

traced his steps and delivered the boy to a military medical team. The team that treated the boys said the rescue was completed just in time to save Throughout the rescue Cor-

poral Winter, who has since left the army and lives in Norfolk, stood at the edge of the minefield and remained attached by a line to Sergeant Rogers. He helped to guide his comrade through the operation, giving advice and

RAF officer's rescue hang-glider stays grounded

the Queen's Commendation

A TINY modified hang-glider that could be used to rescue RAF Tornado crews shot down in Iraq is on display at the Farnborough Air Show — and being studiously ignored by the defence ministry.

The collapsible aircraft was designed by an RAF Regiment officer and could have been used to save the crews that crashed behind enemy lines in the Gulf war. Despite pleas from senior RAF officers for the device to be rushed into service to provide protection for crews now in the Gulf, the idea is still working its way through the ministry. The Covert Insertion and

Recovery Vehicle (CIRV) was

A flight lieutenant is failing to win support for a device that fellow officers believe could be a life-saver, Harvey Elliott writes

devised by Flt Lt Philip Parsons, based at North Luffen-ham. "I had always been fascinated by the way birds man-aged to fly so efficiently with flexible wings," he said at the show yesterday. "It was when we finally began to understand some of the principles and made hang gliders really safe as a result that I realised the potential military value." Using his own money, Flt Lt

Parsons worked in his spare

time on the CIRV, which costs about £10,000, and set up Icarus Aircraft to sell the foldaway equipment. He is forbidden to comment on any discussions he may have had with the ministry, but other officers confirm that the concept could be invaluable in saving lives.

Two CIRVs can be carried in a Tornado drop fuel tank with enough equipment to enable the two pilots of a

downed aircraft to fly them-selves safely beyond enemy reach. Once a downed crew has been located through rescue beacons that they carry, the CIRV could be taken from store and fitted to another Tornado or put on board a Hercules transport plane and flown to the crash site. They would then be dropped by parachute

ready for instant use.

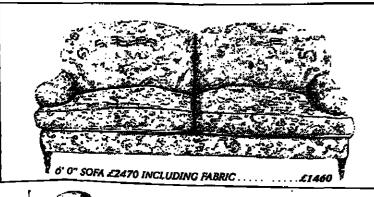
Weighing only 60 kilograms, the escape plane has a 10.4-metre flexible wing and is powered by an adapted twostroke go-kart petrol engine that can propel it at up to 50mph. The pilot runs for a few yards before lifting his legs into a "sleeping bag" under

the wing, and, as he zips it up. the undercarriage is automatically retracted. The CIRV has miniature

instruments and satellite navigation equipment. Depending on wind conditions, it can fly for up to four hours without refuelling - sufficient to travel frrom Baghdad to Saudi Arabia. It could also be used by commando troops, released from a submarine or used to spot drug traffickers.

The CIRV is on static display only at Farnborough because Flt Lieut Parsons cannot afford the £1,000 insurance to fly in public.

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Police arrest 27 and seize forged notes and explosive

By STEWART TENDLER, CRIME CORRESPONDENT

DETECTIVES arrested 27 men and women in a series of dawn raids yesterday and seized more than 40 weapons, two kilograms of plastic explosive and fake £50 notes with a face value of £1.5 million.

Scotland Yard officers revealed details of a nine month undercover investigation, operation Mensa, following the raids on 30 addresses in London, the Home Counties and the West Country by officers from three regional

They seized plates for the £50 notes and counterfeit \$100 bills, plus counterfeit American currency with a face value of \$250,000 (£125,000).

Plates for counterfeiting Danish kroner notes and Barclays Bank travellers' cheques were also found, with a large number of forged birth certificates and Ministry of Transport test certificates, driving licences, vehicle log books and parking permits for disabled drivers.

The criminals had been using passports, vehicle test certificates and building soci-ety cheques that had been

One raid on farm buildings near Bridport, Dorset, uncovered the 40 guns which in-Kalashnikov assault rifles, ammunition, tripwires and flares.

Commander Roy Penrose, regional crime squad co-ordinator for London, said the investigation had aimed at a loosely organised group of criminals who were based in north and east London. They were suspected of supplying weapons, explosives and wholesale counterfeit

Police are understood to have infiltrated a detective posing as a criminal buyer into the network after they were told about the possible sale of explosive, which may have been smuggled back to Britain after the Gulf war. Mr Penrose said £3.000

had been quoted for two tons

of the PE4 explosive, which is made in Britain, although police doubted whether the criminals could in fact deliver such a large amount. The explosives would have been sold to "anyone prepared to

pay the price", he said.
The raids also uncovered gunpowder and guns includ-ing shotguns, handguns and a German sub-machine-gun dating back to the last war.

The weapons were for supply to other criminals or might be used by the network itself. Mr Penrose said the suspects were not thought to be a single gang with a core leadership. but rather individuals who might come together to make money. The network's motto had been: "If you want it, we

He said the quality of the £50 notes was excellent and some were thought to have gone into circulation after being sold to criminal distributors for £20 each. The forgers are believed to have copied both the present £50 note and its predecessor.

The investigation began last December and culminated in yesterday's raids when 150 officers descended on homes, shops and garages in north and east London, Hertfordshire, Bedfordshire, the Thames Valley area, Dorset

Mr Penrose said the investigation, which included work with the new national criminal intelligence service, had been directed at criminals who had not previously been regarded at the very top of the London criminal tree.

The police had been investi-gating "lifestyle criminals" with no visible means of support, he said. "They were earning vast amounts of money and came together to fund their lifestyle. They were loosely organised," he said.

Infiltration by undercover officers posing as criminals has been developed rapidly in recent years by Scotland Yard and other forces.



to operate a lifting ramp for drugs and put in fake cocaine. After the switch the car was allowed to go on its way watched by customs officers from two units specialising in drug investigations in an operation codenamed Bouncer. A spokesman for customs said: stop a major cocaine importation and a major cocaine gang. We don't pretend this was a one-off journey. It will be difficult to tell how many journeys they might have done

The spokesman would not reveal the identity of the racing team but said that it was wellknown within the sport. At least one of those arrested is understood to be part of

watch on much of the ferry traffic from Holland, which is regarded as the drug distribu-tion centre for European markets and the key to the supply of cannabis, heroin and amphetamines.



creations of David Chambers, left, executive chef at Le Meridien Hotel in Piccadilly. Mr Chambers made three fungus dishes for the conference yesterday: a salad of foie gras with cepes, wild mushrooms, and a diamante of sole with trompettes de mort

10 arrests as customs seize drugs

BY STEWART TENDLER CRIME CORRESPONDENT

CUSTOMS officers yesterday arrested ten people after seizing 40 kilos of cocaine worth £6 million brought into Brit-ain from Holland hidden in a trailer used by a well-known Kent motor racing team.

The cocaine was found on the trailer carrying an expensive racing saloon, which was being brought back through the Olau Line ferry terminal at Sheerness last week from Flushing, Holland. The drugs were placed in gas cylinders for the hydraulic system used

What we have done here is to until we get to the bottom of things."

racing team. In recent years customs officers have been keeping a

Woman gave \$12 m to 'please' gambler

A wealthy businesswoman claims her

his debts. Michael Horsnell reports

AN AMERICAN businesswoman told a jury yesterday that she handed her lover partner tricked her out of money to finance \$500,000 to "please him" without realising he was a professional gambler who was after her fortune. realised he might have been

Nicole Dubois, 37, said she gave the money to Yona Betitou, 39, believing he would invest it. She said she fell in love with Mr Betitou, an Israeli, after they had met on a flight from Paris to London. However Mr Betitou, who

told her he was a commodity trader who managed a £500 million investment fund for the Saudis, needed her money to finance a \$2.8 million losing streak in roulette. Southwark Crown Court was told. Shortly before she gave in to Mr Betitou's ideas to invest her money she called off a meeting in London when she

Miss Dubois, who lives in Boston, sent Mr Betitou a fax just before they were due to meet. It read: "If you want to see me without my casket of gold and only for my beautiful eyes then I can manage to see you." She told the court: "I told him I didn't want to make love and money. I felt a lot of pressure. I wanted us to have a

interested only in her wealth.

of money was polluting it." Just before Christmas last year she said she gave Mr Betitou \$26,000 in cash out of weakness and believed he

trusting relationship and talk

would buy shares with it. She added: "I wanted to please him. I believed him absolutely." On Christmas day Mr Betitou persuaded her to part with half her savings. He allegedly told her: "I love you very much but you don't seem to trust me."

replied: "If you promise me it's what I have - \$500,000,"

Miss Dubois said she

going to be safe investments then all right I'll do it — half of Miss Dubois said that soon after they met Mr Betitou had asked her to transfer her \$1 million savings to his account

but she refused. She said: "If

he'd had an accident I would lose everything. I felt bad that I had refused. He was probably much better than me at managing my stock so I gave him power to move my investments." She added a clause that said he could not turn her stocks into cash but relented and gave him \$500,000 cash. Miss Dubois said that

throughout their relationship Mr Betitou did not gamble, even when they dined at a casino. The court was told that Mr Betitou, who lives at the Grosvenor Hotel, London, regularly gambled six-figure sums at the world's top clubs including The Ritz and Maxime's. Mr Betitou denies three charges of obtaining property by deception and three of their between December 1990 and February last

year. The trial continues.

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Sex or a sin?



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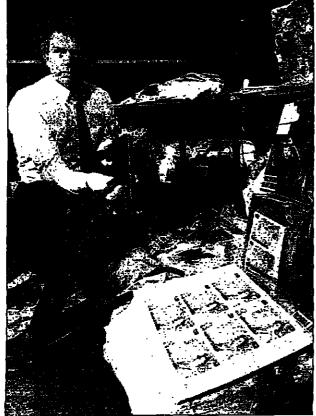
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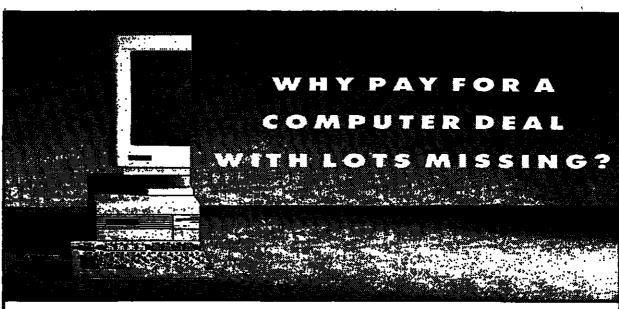
JP who gave bail to rapist resigns A MAGISTRATE who freed

on bail a rapist who then murdered a 23-year-old council worker has resigned.

Ray Morgan, a retired univ-ersity lecturer, denied that the controversy over the case had led to his resignation, but the move was welcomed by Jim and Kay Potts, of Churcham, near Gloucester, the parents of Anna McGurk, the victim.

Within weeks of being granted bail on a rape charge by Mr Morgan's court last year, Andrew Hagans, 25, ambushed Mrs McGurk with a knife in Gloucester and later raped and killed her.

After Hagans was jailed for life at Bristol Crown Court two months ago for the crimes, there were demands for the resignation of Mr Morgan and his colleagues.



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PC in double death crash denies charge By RONALD FAUX

A POLICE officer who drove a patrol car at more than 120 mph in pursuit of a motorcycle that crashed, killing the two riders, was accused of neckless driving at York Crown Court yesterday. Michael Kalisher, QC, told

the jury that although the Crown did not seek to put moral or legal blame for the tragedy on PC Charles Wheeler, 41, of Sprotbrough. near Doneaster, police drivers were under the same obligation as any other motorist to drive safely and carefully and within the law. Mr Wheeler denied driving

recklessly during the chase which began in Doncaster when the motor-cycle, stolen two hours earlier in Scunthorne, drove through red traffic lights. The pursuit lasted 0.05 miles at an average speed of 114mph. It ended when the motor-cycle crashed. killing the driver. Richard Nilsson, 22, and his pillion passenger Stephen Parrott. 5 both of Sounthorne. The trial continues today.

named Canadian. Coasiguards on Clydeside were alerted by relatives when the hoat did not return to

ALL aircraft and ships in the

north Atlantic have been alert-

ed to search for six people

whose boat has been missing

his crew of five on the 60ft

converted fishing vessel Helga

Maria were last seen off

Newfoundland on August 7.

They were on the last leg of an

8,000-mile journey that began

in May, tracing Columbus's

voyage to America. The 62-

year-old boat was heading for

the Shetland Islands and was

due to return to its home port

of Whitby, North Yorkshire,

Last year, Mr Lammi-

mman, of Whitby, defied an

order from the transport de-

partment confining his vessel

to port and sailed to the Arctic

circle with a crew of two elderly

women and a vicar. He was

fined \$1,000 on his return.

His crew this time is David

Gray, a former policeman

from Edinburgh, Huw Rob-

erts, an ex-naval diver. Rosie

Tetlow, a nurse. Guy Reed. an

environmentalist, and an un-

on August 31.

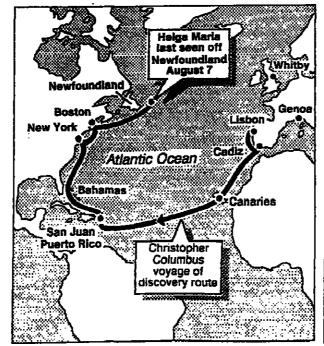
for more than a month. Jack Lammimman, 53, and

Adventurers' boat missing

By Julia Llewellyn Smith

Whitby. After the crew failed to respond to radio appeals broadcast every four hours, the search was stepped up.
Roger Clarke, of Clyde
coastguards, said: "It is not

the Atlantic, but we are concerned. It would be naive to think that, with these broadcasts going out for a week, not one had reached the Helga Maria, but possibly they are unusual for a sailing boat like not listening for whatever this to take this long to cross



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Lawyers uncover big divide in nations' jail terms for rape

By Frances Gibb, legal correspondent

BIG disparities in sentencing of criminals between different countries, even within Europe, are revealed in a survey to be published at the biennial conference of the International Bar Association in Cannes later this month.

The survey team put a series of hypothetical cases to legal authorities in more than 20 countries and found penalties in Europe varied by more than ten years for crimes such as rape and by more than 40 vears when countries from different continents are

The hypothetical rape case featured a 27-year-old man who attacked a girl standing alone at a bus stop, dragged her to a derelict car park, punched her and threatened her with a knife before raping

The victim was aged 16 and the man had a history of minor sexual offences and had been in jail for up to three

Denmark gave a likely sentence of two to three years and Canada, where the crime would be called sexual assault with a weapon, and Norway, three to five years, compared

NEWS IN BRIEF

Riot estate

dismissed

A juror was dismissed yester-

putting vouchers into enve-

£1.5 million of damage.

Bus crushed

first day of term.

Trees saved A tree preservation order has been put on 324-acre Bramp-

five and eleven were injured when a double-decker bus tak-

ing them to Portway school,

Charlton, Hampshire, was crushed under a bridge on the

ton wood by Huntingdonshire

planners. Ecology groups had

appealed to John Major to in-tervene after the defence min-istry decided to sell it.

loe cream vans will be limited

to 5mph in Derby parks after

the death of James Howard,

jected a plea from his mother for a traffic ban.

Robert Powell, 47, was found

hanged in his prison hospital

cell at Elmley on the Isle of

Sheppey. Kent, while awaiting trial for the murder of Muriel

Stinton, a widow aged 86.

could get near the thing."

Dog gone

Death in cell

Safety move

paying attention.

with 15 years in Ireland (for a not guilty plea), 20 years in Spain and 50 years in Texas. England comes in the middle of the range with a sentence of eight to 12 years.

In another question, a 19year-old man had been found guilty of raiding a bank with four other people, masked and armed with a machinegun which was used to threaten cashiers and customers.

He was unemployed, the youngest member of the gang, and the £800,000 had been recovered. The defendant had several convictions for petty theft and breach of the peace.

Canada suggested a likely sentence of three to five years. Norway two to three years and Denmark six years. Spain said four years, two months and a day, and Ireland five to six ears for a not guilty plea. England said ten to 14 years, or five years in a a young offenders' institution, and

Texas ten years. In a case of burglary of a stately home, goods worth £90,000 were taken and later recovered from a man with a substantial record of theft. Canada said it would impose a

conducted the survey, said the findings would help practitioners in trans-national criminal law and could lead to sentencing reforms. jail sentence of five to seven

The survey shows that we really do have huge gaps, a lot of disparities in sentencing between different countries. The important think is first to gather the facts and ascertain the different policies and then to try to understand why the disparities exist and the national and ethical backgrounds to them," he said.

years, Kenya three years plus

hard labour and six strokes of

the cane, Denmark one to two

years and the Cook Islands

probation of three months.

Texas suggested ten years' jail and England suggested from

Likely sentences for a

domestic assault case, where

the husband broke his wife's nose and there was a long history of disputes and previ-

ous charges of assault or

breach of the peace, ranged

from between six and 18

months in Canada to 30 or 40

days, possibly suspended, in

Six months' imprisonment

was likely in Kenya, a bond of

good behaviour in India, a

fine in Scotland and ten days' jail in Texas. The likely sen-

tence in England was six

months, suspended for two

Peter Michael Muller, an attorney in Munich and chair-

man of the association's crimi-

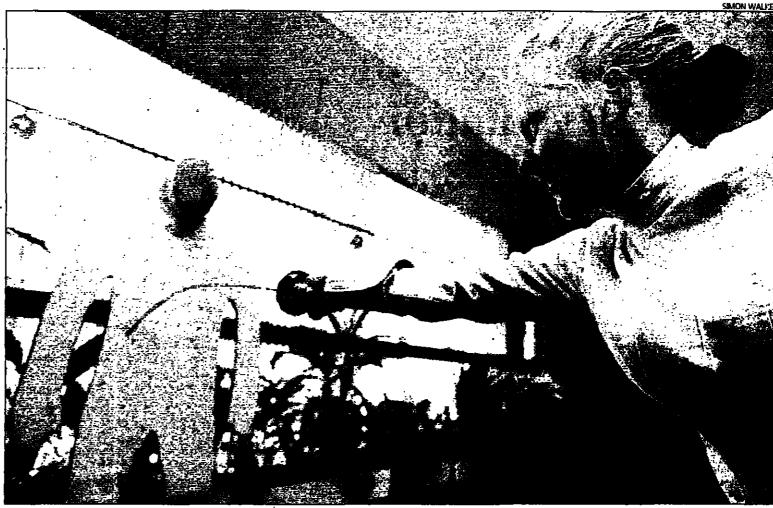
nal law committee which

three to seven years.

Denmark.

The aim was to try to secure greater homogeneity of sentencing, bearing in mind that cultural differences would remain. "You can't try an aborigine like a Bavarian farmer," said Herr Muller.

The first parts of the survey were originally published in 1990 but the exercise has now been extended to include a greater range of questions and is being widened further, with answers on drink-driving offences now being processed



On target: Katherine Brown, 17, demonstrating her electronic fencing partner in London yesterday (Nick Nuttall writes). The invention, designed to help fencers' speed and aim, won Miss Brown, from Tiffin Girls School, Kingston-upon-Thames, southwest London, a place in the schools finals of the Toshiba Year of Invention competition as the London

UNEMPLOYED managers

and executives are taking

twice as long to find a new job

as they were 18 months ago,

according to employment con-

sultants. They say that there

are still no signs of companies

Discrimination against job-

at persuading more employers to take on older unemployed

people. The 12 members of

the committee are expected to

According to the employ-

ment department, the group is

expected to examine the prob-

lems faced by executives, mid-

dle managers and blue-collar

workers, particularly the in-

crease in age discrimination.

Although it will have only

advisory powers, ministers

expect employers to pay atten-

tion to what it has to say and to

Michael Forsyth, employ-

ment minister, has backed the

group publicly and has urged

employers to take a more enlightened approach. He has

described agism as "a stupid policy", saying that it was absurd, wasteful and a sign of

shortsightedness. He has

pledged to improve matters

and has criticised the Euro-

pean Commission for setting

an age limit of 35 on most jobs

Last year's Labour Force

Survey showed that, once old-er people lose their jobs, they remain unemployed for much

longer than younger people.

Statistics on long-term unem-

ployment show that 43 per

cent of unemployed people

aged from 16 to 29 stay out of

work for a year or more, compared with 60 per cent of

Even among those in work,

those aged over 50.

from messengers to lawyers.

follow its directions.

be named in October.

taking on more staff.

and Home Counties regional winner. The Electronic Point Efficiency Exerciser or Epée, dubbed the "feno-

Inventor wins by the sword

ing dartboard", indicates an area of the body which the fencer must hit. If the fencer's electronic sword hits the spot within a pre-set time, buzzers sound and lights flash, indicating a

successful lunge.
Miss Brown, of Raynes Park, southwest London, the first woman to reach this stage of the awards, said

that she had chosen a male shape for marketing reasons. "Men are generally reluctant to hit a woman.' Twenty-two other regional finalists were named and their inventions

unveiled at a ceremony at Centre Point, the Confederation of British Industry's headquarters. Peter ClifSuffolk, the Central/Midlands regional finalist in the business category, has developed a rotary compressor that turns straw, sawdust and chaff into 6in logs.

Gareth Jones of Bath, Avon, created a folding cycle trailer, able to carry 40kg loads, Philip Fuller, an engineer from Epping. Essex, invented a power chisel, and a team from Oxford University developed a bone substitute material made of collagen and calci-

SENTENCE DISPARITIES

| ٠ | Rape | Likely sentence for Theft by housebreaking | Armed robbery |
|--------------|---|---|--|
| Canada | rape abolished, sexual assault with a weapon 3-5 yrs | 5-7 yrs | 3-5 yrs . |
| Cook Islands | 5-8 yrs | Probation 3 mths | Probation 3 mths |
| Denmark | 2-3 yrs | 1-2 yrs | 6 years |
| England | 8-12 yrs | 3-7 ýrs | 10-14 yrs/5 yrs Young Offenders' Institute |
| India | 7-10 yrs | 7 yrs | 7 yrs |
| Ireland . | 10 yrs gulity plea, 15 yrs not quilty | 4 yrs guilty plea, 5-6 yrs not guilty | 3-4 yrs (guilty plea) 5-6 yrs (not guilty) |
| Japan | 2-6 yrs | · 3-5 yrs | 5 yrs |
| Kenya | 5-yrs hard labour, 6 strokes | 3 yrs, hard labour obligatory, 6 strokes cane | 3 yrs and 6 strokes |
| Norway | 3-5 yrs | 120 days-6 mths | 2-3 yrs |
| Spain | 20 yrs | 4 yrs, 2 mths, 1 day | 4 yrs, 2mths, 1 day |
| USA (Texas) | 50 yrs | 10 yrs | 10 yrs |

hunters over 40 remains. A government advisory group, due to have its first meeting by the end of the year, is expected to draw up an initiative aimed

TWO thirds of the people in an inner-city area feared that they would be burgled although only 13 per cent had a break-in during the previous year, according to a survey

day after barristers in the The study, conducted in Meadow Well disorder trial complained that she was not Judge Johnson halted proceedings on the sixth day at Newcastle upon Tyne Crown Court and asked Jane McKenna to leave. He told the remaining jurors that she had been seen filling in forms.

firm that the public's perceplopes, studying her cheque tion and fear of crime have book and flipping through a red diary. "The last thing I want is for the trial to conclude little relation to its incidence. with either side thinking it had not been a fair trial because a juror had not been attending properly." the judge Twelve defendants deny charges of violent disorder on September 9 and 10 last year, when a mob of 400 caused Nine children aged between

Risk of crime lower than public fears

published yesterday.

part of Leicester, also found that almost 30 per cent of women thought that they were likely to be raped or sexually assaulted although only 1.1 per cent had been assaulted in the previous year. More than 25 per cent of people considered their district to be unsafe. The report appears to con-

However, the fear is enough to restrict people's behaviour by causing them not to go out at night or to avoid certain areas. Andrew Willis, senior lec-turer in criminology at Leicester University, said: "The fear of crime is quite extensive and people are clear-ly anxious about being the victims of criminal acts. This study shows that it is a very real fear for a lot of people, particularly among the elderly, women and single parents. If you are living in a terrace house and premises a few

doors away are burgled, it is

inevitable that people believe it is only a matter of time before their home is burgled."

The report was carried out for Leicester City Council in the western part of the city. It was undertaken in an area with a population of 14,000, of which more than one fifth is aged 60 or more, about one quarter is from the ethnic minority community and the unemployment rate is almost 14 per cent. The burglary rate among the Asian community was one in five, almost double that for the whole sample.

Half of those questioned thought that police walking the beat regularly would help to prevent crime. Thirty-six per cent wanted better street lighting and 26 per cent urged action to deal with empty and

derelict property.

The survey also found strong support for measures to provide opportunities for jobless young people to divert them from crime. Fifty per cent wanted training opportunities for youngsters, and 37 per cent said that tackling unemployment was the highest priority.

| Crime Prevention in the

Leicester City Challenge area. (University of Leicester school

In the first of a series on unemployment among the professions, Ray Clancy looks at firms' unwillingness to take on the over-40s

there is a trend towards parttime and short-term employment, says Derek Edwards, managing director of Sanders and Sidney, an outplacement consultancy that advises businesses on dealing with redundancy. The professions, particularly banking, finance, senior management and advertising, have been forced to change their affitudes about a job for

"There has been an increase in the number of consultancy places," he says. "Middle managers are taking jobs on a contractual basis, with a re-

view after three years." He says that, whereas a year

ago there was still a stigma attached to being redundant. this is no longer the case, with headhunters including out-ofwork managers on their final lists. The effects of unemployment are also being felt at blue-collar and more junior

Ministers tackle bias as management redundancy grows

Jobless executives suffer from age prejudice

Bull Thompson and Associates, a management and executive search company, has found that it now takes an average of three or four months for a professional person to gain another job, compared with one or two months in 1990.

The company has also noticed the trend towards con- over the Maastricht treaty has

18-24 50 plus

THE AGE OF UNEMPLOYMENT

tracts. "Short-term contracts increased that reluctance. "A and interim management have increased in the past 18 months, reflecting the fact that companies are reluctant to create new positions," Nicholas Wylde, senior associate,

He believes that uncertainty

about the future of Europe. They are waiting to see what is going to happen before decid-ing if they can take on more people," he said. He does not expect an upturn in the jobs market until the spring at the

Vicar offers material and spiritual support

BY RUTH GLEDHILL

PRAYING for a job may seem the only option left to many of Britain's unemployed executives, but a church in Berkshire is offering practical as well as spiritual help in the

search for work. The Rev George Repath vicar of Bray, has opened his church hall to a support group that finds work for the growing number of redundant managers in his parish and surrounding areas.

A third of the members of St Michael's Executive Resourcing, a self-help group sponsored by the parish and the local Rotary Club, have already found work through the group. At its annual meeting, the remaining 20 members set up a limited company to meet increasing demands for



Mr Repath: "They know they are not alone"

contracting and consultancy work. "What they miss most is the sense of discipline, of turning up together, of being able to talk to their fellows in an office as they once did," Mr

ballad, The Vicar of Bray, describes how the vicar re-George 1.

they are not alone."
The change from the vicar's normal duties has a literary, if less worthy, echo. An English

tained his living by switching ecclesiastical allegiance from the time of Charles 11 to The modern scheme is sup-ported by the Bishop of Read-

ing, the Right Rev John Bone. who said: "Unemployment is an enormous emotional and spiritual crisis, and this is an example of what can be done."

The unemployed executives include former sales managers, directors, accountants, engineering managers and university lecturers. One lost a salary of £80,000, and his marriage broke up. When he sought help from the scheme.

Repath said. "They know here he was living out of his car. The scheme members. mostly men, meet twice a week in a fourteenth century chapel on the Thames. They share their experience of being told that they are either too old or too well qualified for thou-

sands of jobs. Unemployment in Berkshire is 6.5 per cent, below the national average of 9.7 per cent, but white-collar workers have been hit hard. Many suffer additional trauma because of the surrounding affluence in an area with traditionally employment.

The unemployed qualify for government-run job clubs only after six months without work, and most clubs recommend a stay of four to six months. St Michael's has no

Poison bait the last chance for red squirrel

By Michael Hornsby **AGRICULTURE**

THE red squirrel could disappear from England and Wales within ten years, according to a new survey of forests.

As the red squirrel declines.

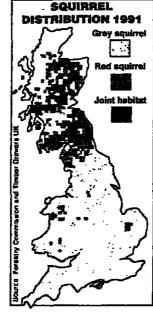
its larger and more assertive grey cousin, introduced from North America a century ago, aged five. The city council reis moving northwards, colon-ising red territory. The grey squirrel is by far the more destructive, especially of broadleaved trees such as beech and oak, which the govemment is trying to persuade farmers to plant. Bark-stripping by the grey squirrel, which distorts tree growth and reduces timber value, is esti-

mated to cost the foresty industry at least £1 million a year. A burglar who abandoned his Peter Wilson, chief executive rottweiler in a car after being designate of Timber Growers disturbed has broken into the UK, which represents about police pound at Winchester, 2,300 woodland owners, said: Hampshire, and freed it. Ser-"If the government really geant Tanya Cook said: "It wants to see more planting of has to be the owner. No one broadleaved trees of the kind people want, then they have



At risk: the red squirrel is finding survival hard

got to take the threat from the grey squirrel more seriously. The grey is running unchecked into the remaining strongholds of the red and, if this continues, the native squirrel will be extinct in ten years or so in England and Wales. In Scotland, it might



In England and Wales, the red squirrei survives in any numbers only in the isle of Wight, Northumberland and Cumbria, being confined elsewhere to isolated pockets. In

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Scotland, its main redoubt, numbers are shrinking. Poisoning is the most effective way to control the mainly ground-dwelling grey, but the law forbids use of poisoned bait in areas inhabited by both species. Yet it is in these "frontier" zones that the struggle for survival is fiercest and the need for control greatest.

The author of the survey, Harry Pepper, a Forestry Commission researcher, is testing a feeding hopper of poisoned grain that allows access only to the grey squirrel. "The hopper has a tunnel entrance and a flap door at the end, which has to be pushed up. We are pretty certain that only the larger and more inquisitive grey can lift the door, but we have not yet been able to prove that the hopper is absolutely red-squirrel proof," he

Timber Growers UK wants legislation permitting use of the hopper, likely to be ready in a year or so.

FO staff to assess superiors

By Richard Ford, home correspondent

THE Foreign Office has introduced a personnel management strategy that allows frustrated staff to offer a full and frank assessment of the quality of management provided by their immediate

Under the staff appraisal system, managers are expected to assess the performance and potential of their staff, while subordinates are invited to pass judgment on the skill of their immediate bosses in helping them to achieve set targets. All aspects of work, including whether staff have achieved key objectives and whether their performance has been unacceptable or outstanding, is put in writing and shown to both boss and

subordinate. It is realised that employees may fear that being too frank might hinder prospects. In spite of a call for staff to be as open and honest about their Leading article, page 13 bosses as line managers are about subordinates, a Cabinet

Office publication has admitted that the system will work "only if jobholders speak up". Initial reports indicate that junior grades and middle management have adapted to

the unfamiliar customs more easily than long-serving staff who are reticent about judging management. Among some staff there is a feeling that comments about a line manager may be best left to informal discussion rather than put in writing. The system was introduced

after the first review of personnel management at the Foreign Office since the 1960s. which included seeking the help of outside consultants for the first time. A 1990 study by Coopers and Lybrand Deloitte analysed 1,000 responses from members of the diplomatic service and found that 72 per cent felt the personnel operations department, abolished last year, had failed to give them a regular picture of their career prospects, while

61 per cent felt their careers had been badly managed. Peninah Thomson, a con-

sultant in human resources. said the system had been conventional practice in business for several years. "We thought senior FO management should move to a more open culture which is quite hard for an organisation that is, to an extent, predicated on secrecy. The FO has taken a brave and imaginative step in going for open appraisal," she

The new openness does, however, have limits. It is not applicable to senior diplomats in Grades 1 to 4, although personnel managers are studying whether appraisal should be extended to cover the top rungs.

"I didn't think senior ambassadors would be included in the system because introducing upward appraisal at the highest level would truly be a culture shock," Miss Thorn-

Only hours before the Lab-

Mr Edmonds, whose union

Mr Smith now has a fight on his hands as he struggles to hold the line in the run-up to Labour's conference at the end of the month. Nalgo is not affiliated to the Labour party and has no voice at the conference, but the 900,000

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By Patricia Tehan and Nicholas Wood

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votes of the GMB, the general workers' union, are a sizeable block of opinion.

Mr Smith is firmly on the pro-European wing of the Labour party and as shadow chancellor fought the last election strongly committed to ERM membership. He repeatedly ruled out devaluing the pound. Since his elevation to the Labour leadership, he has held to this line while not ruling out a general realignment of EC currencies against the mark. More recently, Labour leaders have limited themselves to calling for coordinated EC action to reduce interest rates and advocated

tax breaks for industry.

Mr Edmonds said in the TUC debate on Europe that if the unions were serious about stopping unemployment rising to four million, one step had to be taken as quickly as possible. That is to change the value of the pound against

the Deutschmark. We can only maintain this madcap exchange rate by killing off jobs, by killing off companies ... by killing off our



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industrial future ... An early realignment is essential if we are to live without further agony in the ERM."

Addressing reporters later, Mr Edmonds later said he was speaking on behalf of his union, not the Labour party or the TUC. He was not calling for British withdrawal from the ERM, but he did want the British government to take the lead in triggering a devalua-tion within the currency grid.

Some observers were inclined to see Mr Edmonds's intervention as a piece of kiteflying intended to keep open Mr Smith's options. Mr Jinkinson went even

further in demanding "deval-uation now". He said in a statement that the "terrible economic effects of Britain's joining the ERM at a grossly overvalued rate to the pound have become obvious". "Firms are collapsing, unemployment is rising, homes are being repossessed and public spending is in crisis."

Nalgo accused the trade union movement of giving implicit support to the government's economic strategy by "refusing to face up to the fact of sterling's overvaluation and the high interest rates required to support the pound".

Bill Jordan, president of the million-member engineering and electrical union, the AEEU, said yesterday's debate was the wrong time and place for Mr Edmonds to raise his concerns. "Saying this undermines certainty, under-mines confidence and undermines iobs."

Mr Edmonds insisted that he supported the govern-ment's decision to enter the ERM. "To go into the ERM was a good thing, but to go in at 2.95 Deutschmarks was crazy. They cannot sustain this rate."

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In his own image: Ron Todd, the former general secretary of the TGWU, with his retirement gift, a giant banner of himself. Mr Todd is presenting the banner, which was painted by theatrical set designers and stands more than 10ft high, to Manchester's National Museum of Labour History

'Beauty contest' deals attacked

By Patricia Tehan

THE TUC is gearing up for a head-on clash with the government when Parliament resumes in the autumn over its plans to end the arrangements by which unions have agreed not to compete for members.

Delegates supported a motion to maintain the so-called Bridlington Principles as the basis for dealing with interunion relations and developing orderly collective bargaining structures.

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UNION LAW

The Manufacturing, Science and Finance Union called for an end to the "beauty parades" where single-union agreements are drawn up at the expense of other unions, splitting the trade union movement.

Jack Carr, the MSF assistant general secretary, said foreign companies were increasingly investing in Britain. "We can respond to this as a united movement, defending fundamental rights enshrined in international law and international best practice, or we can squabble amongst ourselves with the most employer-friendly unions_engaging in a grotesque Dutch auction of work-

ers' rights." Mr Carr said MSF was not against single-union agree-ments, but he said workers should chose the unions to represent them, not the

employers.
Gavin Laird, general secretary of the engineers' union. the AEEU, accused the MSF and other unions of joining in the so-called beauty contests and then crying foul because they lost. He said the AEEU had more than a hundred single-union deals, and "we will sign more". He said the deals all had excellent training provisions, good wages, equal pay and pensions and consultation on investment policy.

Diana Warwick of the Association of University Teachers said disputes among TUC members were inevitable, but it needed a forum to resolve them. "To declare a free-for-all is to invite chaos and

disintegration. The TUC is now committed to finding a new system of

Link with party is defended

By PHILIP BASSETT INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

LABOUR'S review of the party's relationship with the trade unions will not lead to the union link being broken, according to a prominent member of the joint party-union review body.

This clear statement from Dr Lewis Minkin, an academ-

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ic and probably the foremost authority on the relationship between the trade unions and the Labour party, will disappoint those — including some senior Labour frontbenchers — who believe that the party's links with the unions must be broken, or at least radically altered, if Labour is to stand any chance of winning power at the next general election.

Though co-opted on to the review committee, which was set up following sharp criticism of the Labour-union link in the wake of the party's election defeat in April, Dr Minkin's views about the importance of maintaining rather than scrapping the relationship already hold considerable sway among both Labour and union leaders.

Speaking in public for the first time since the formation of the review body. Dr Minkin said it was vital that the entire issue of the Labour-union link was off Labour's agenda by

next year. Addressing a fringe meeting at the TUC conference in Blackpool, he said: "Those who hope to see the unions and the party divorce or fall apart will be very disappoint-ed." Instead, he said the aim of the review committee on the union-Labour link "should be TUC SKETCH by Philip Bassett

Scargill rises to the historic occasion

You could tell that Howard Davies, the director-general of the CBI was about to speak: Arthur Scargill, the miners' leader, bent down in his seat to tie his shoes properly in preparation for a wholly unplanned spontaneous walkout. Came the moment, came the man as Mr Davies stood up to speak, Mr Scargill - shoes

firmly tied - stood up to go. Across windy Blackpool, the Labour party leader, John Smith, was getting a ter reception. All had to face was questions about such irrelevant issues as Maastricht, devaluation. pay restraint and the Labour-union link. Howard Davies had to face Mr Scareill.

That a spontaneous unplanned walkout was looming became clear when reporters and television crews began to gather where they could best see Mr Scargill. The novelty of a CBI leader addressing the TUC for the first time in 124 years was no match for one of the TUC's longestrunning performances: Mr Scargill seizing the

limelight. Up went Mr Davies. Out went Mr Scargill On cue, he fulminated on camera: "I am not prepared to take part in this charade. It's disgusting that he was invited." With that he was gone. With him went about 40 others, from such unions as the RMT transport workers, the Ucatt construction union and the

GPMU print workers. Back inside the hall, an

vies's presence was an outrage. But at the back of the hall, one delegate roured at Mr Scargill's departing back: "No wonder your

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union's going down the tubes! You're a disgrace!" Mr Davies rode it all well, laconically describing the incident as "a good recruiting effort for the Conservative party". In a brave and clever speech, he pulled few punches, repeating his calls for a public sector pay freeze, but also attacking directors' pay

Some union general sec-retaries complained privately that left-wingers had obtained advance press copies of the speech and had circulated them around union delegations, pointing out the passages likely to prove objectionable.

Barracking there was, but rounds of applause, too, including a final ovation lasting a good 15 seconds — not bad for the first speech by an employers' leader to the

To general approval from most union delegations, especially for the offer of a future dialogue with the TUC on such issues as training and Europe, Mr Davies left the platform. Asked about Mr Scargill's "disgusting" charge, he remained cool: "I don't think it's disgusting. That seems to be a problem that he's got with the TUC - not with me.'

He left Blackpool unfazed by Mr Scargill: "An Arthur Scargill walkout is like rained-off cricket matches at Lords - it's part of the British way of life."

NUT teacher from Camden inter-union rules and proceto strengthen it with an agreein London, Kevin Courtney, shouted out that Mr Dadures which would be binding ment which takes us into the next century".

Workers call for better training

By Ross Tieman, industrial correspondent

TRADE unions are to put agenda. The TUC is launching a nationwide campaign to teach officials how to negotiate better training for workers at the same time as they are bargaining for pay rises and improved working conditions.

The strategy was announced after a poll for the TUC by NOP showed that almost seven out of ten workers would be interested in developing their skills further. Only a quarter were satisfied by the amount of training provided by their employer.

Interest in training among manual workers was especially high, with 74 per cent saying they were keen to learn additional skills. The desire to be better trained was common to men and women of all ages. Leif Mills, chair of the

TUC's Education and Training committee, said many employers were failing to provide their workers with the skills necessary to meet overseas competition.

Unless trade unions increased pressure on companies, the national training targets set by government and

endorsed by both the TUC and the employers' organis-ation, the Confederation of British Industry, would not be met. The targets say that firms should seek to ensure that at least half of their employees are qualified to level three of the new National Vocational Qualifications, NVQs, by the year 2,000. NVQ 3 is a supervisory level qualification

This economy will not have a future unless the level of skills is increased," Mr Mills said. Too many employers are just sitting back."

broadly equivalent to A-levels.

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DELEGATES will discuss calls for new pensions legislation following the Maxwell scandal. Unions want legislation enshrining the principle that occupational pension fund contributions are a form of deferred pay, and that the fund belongs to the scheme members. They also want a state compensation scheme.

Economic policy will also be discussed, including unemployment and the manufacturing industry.

In the afternoon the TUC will discuss low pay, public sector pay, the Post Office and Sunday trading,

Reforms raise fears for 999 service

By Ross Tteman

THE 999 emergency service could fail at times of crisis if proposals to concentrate operators in three regional centres are implemented, unions say.

TUC delegates will today hear from telecommunications unions of their lears that reforms will lead to a lower standard of service. The unions insist they have no axe to

grind, because they will represent opera-

tors wherever they work. But they say

munications watchdog, could remove the flexibility which ensures the service does not fail during unexpected demand peaks, and may also place unbearable strain on operators.

that suggested the 999 service could be provided by three dedicated centres. Maintaining the service is estimated to cost £30 million a year. According to the Union of Communication Workers (UCW) there are about 2,000 operators available at any time

who can drop less critical work to handle emergency calls if necessary. The large number of operators involved enables staff to be rotated between tasks to case the stress of dealing with emergency Union concerns were triggered by a consultation document, issued by Oftel,

Under draft Oftel proposals, the union insists, as few as 150 operators would be available at any one time to man the 999 service. In addition, routing calls to just three national centres would lead to the loss of local knowledge, and possible difficulties in understanding regional



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Old sins come back to haunt candidates in the last lap

From Martin Fletcher in Washington

month period in 1968. "It's all

news to me," Mr Clinton insisted. He was then forced to

admit that he had been told

last March of his uncle's

lobbying efforts. Once again it

appeared he had been less

The Bush camp believes it can still win in November if it

can paint Mr Clinton as

evasive and untrustworthy,

not to mention unpatriotic. It

sees this as the perfect issue given Mr Bush's exemplary

war record and Mr Clinton's

aspirations to be America's

commander-in-chief. In the

final analysis, Americans would not vote "for a person

they've got grave questions about — questions about his

character, questions about his

trust," said Vice-President Quayle, hirnself nearly de-

stroyed by draft-dodging allegations in 1988.

Mr Clinton's appearances

are often accompanied by a small plane trailing a banner

saying "Draft Dodger", or by

similar signs in the crowds,

and on Monday in Wisconsin Mr Bush delivered his most open attack yet on Mr Clin-ton's draft record. Mocking

his opponent's claim to Harry Truman's mantle, he observed that Truman "wanted to join the military and fight for his country. And so did I. And I Mr Clinton hit straight back. The impending prosecution of Caspar Weinberger has thrown up a memorandum recording a conversation between the former Defence

Secretary and George Shultz,

then Secretary of State, in 1987. That memo called into

question "not only the Presi-

dent's veracity, but his support

for illegal conduct," Mr Clin-

a Washington Post interview

in which Mr Bush claimed he

had been "out of the loop" on the Iran-Contra affair and did not know Mr Weinberger and

Mr Shultz had both opposed

the arms-for-hostages opera-

tion. The note records Mr Weinberger protesting: "That's terrible. He was on the

other side. It's on the record.

subject of "millions of dollars worth of investigation ... If I had done anything wrong, they'd have been all over me like you can possibly imag-ine." He had "nothing to

Why did he say that?." Asked about the memo in an interview last Sunday, President Bush countered that Iran-Contra had been the

explain", he added.

we have," said Gawdat

Gabra, director of Cairo's Coptic museum. Previous-

ly, a handful of Coptic mins dating back to the same period have been discov-

ered near ancient monasteries and hermitages.

Egypt once contained many Coptic ruins, includ-ing ones similar to that now unearthed on a hillside at

Nazlet el-Batran about two

miles from the Sphinx. But early archaeologists often

destroyed Coptic remains to get to the treasures of the

pharaohs buried beneath.
The dwellings so far dis-

covered are uncannily similar to Egyptian village houses of today. The find is regarded as of great importance because of the glimpse it offers into the daily life of the early Chris-

tians. The community app-

ears to have been poor like

many of the Christians of that period in Egypt.

Excavations so far have yielded a number of Coptic relics, some looking

as though they were aban-

One house still contains

cross and a tiny statue of

unearthed among the ruins

date part of the settlement

Egyptians unearth

Copts' tragic past

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN CAIRO

The conversation concerned

ton charged.

than candid.

THE 1992 presidential election, supposedly concerned with America's future, is becoming increasingly focused on alleged sins and omissions

in the candidates' pasts.

To destroy voter confidence in Governor Bill Clinton, the Bush camp has begun exploiting his avoidance of military service in Vietnam. The more the Arkansas governor seeks to explain what happened 23 years ago the more he app-ears, in President Bush's words, "slippery when wet". Privately, Clinton aides now consider the issue the cam-

paign's biggest threat.
Mr Clinton is retaliating in kind. On Monday he changed tactics abruptly and directly challenged Mr Bush's assertion that as vice-president he was "out of the loop" during the Iran-Contra scandal. "You do your job with him like you did with me," he challenged reporters. George Mitchell, the Senate's Democratic leader, repeated that demand yesterday, suggesting a concerted



attention. All this was not in

appeared before the American gave his version of events, en how warmly he was accepted by the Legion," an aide crowed, but the Los Angeles Times swiftly punctured that euphoria.

Previous stories focused on Mr Clinton's draft dodging while studying at Oxford in late 1969. This one claimed his uncle had successfully lobbied to prevent his induction during a vulnerable ten-

rare insight into the A persecuted lives of ear-

ly Christians in Egypt has

been unearthed near the pyramids at Giza with the discovery of one of the country's earliest Christian

The settlement, complete with well-manicured streets and mud brick houses -one still with blackened ashes in its hearth — dates back to the first centuries

after Christ, a time of great

persecution for Egypt's Coptic Christians. Ironical-

ly, the find comes as the Copts, who make up about

seven million of the present 57 million Egyptians, are again facing attacks, this time from Muslim funda-

mentalists. In some slum areas, churches are guard-

Referring to the nine

houses so far uncovered by the Egyptian antiquities organisation. Abd al-Mocz,

an inspector, said: "Some of the artefacts show the games Copts had to play. They could not draw cross-

cs for fear of persecution, so they drew flowers and other

nerstone of Christianity.

Egypt in the first century

only a decoration."

they drew flowers and other symbols they themselves large jar with four exquisite understood to represent a Coptic pictures was found in its place beside a corner

The Copts, who claim wooden pieces which supported a heavy door. Other

ed from taking top govern-ment jobs and complain of countless other examples of with flowers and plants. discrimination are a cor- One relic bears an early

with roots stretching back the Virgin Mary was found to St Mark's arrival in in one home. Roman coins

"This is one of the few to the second and third

ed by troops.

communities.

Florida given aid pledge

FROM MICHAEL FLEEMAN IN HOMESTEAD, FLORIDA

PRESIDENT Bush said yesterday that he would ask Congress for \$7.6 billion (£3.8 billion) in emergency aid for cleaning and rebuilding in the wake of Hurricane Andrew.

figure during a meeting with members of Congress. President Yeltsin of Russia also sent

Monday that they would open a tent city at the Miccosukee Indian reservation on the fringe of the Everglades. The Miccosukee tribe's huts and caravans were badly damaged in the storm. (AP)



Out of court: Barbra Streisand reacting to cameramen before the match between Andre Agassi and Carlos Costa at the US Open Tennis Championships in New York

Thatcher attends ceremony in Baku

Azerbaijan's capital of Baku yesterday as a guest of Azerbaijani authorities. The former prime minister was scheduled to meet President Eichibey and attend the ceremonial signing of an agree-ment between the southern republic's government and BP. Under the agreement, oil deposits in the Caspian Sea will be developed.

A state luncheon planned tomorrow for Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah's visit to Wellington has been cancelled because the Emir of Kuwait will need a siesta. He is visiting New Zealand to thank the people for their support during the Gulf war. The emir was to be guest of honour at a banquet to which 250 guests

Japan will grant Russian president Boris Yeltsin's wish to see some sumo wrestling during his Tokyo visit, but security dictates that he must sit behind a bullet-proof shield, Japanese news reports said. The Japan Times, said the

Margaret Thatcher arrived in Russian leader would be allocated seats normally reserved for Emperor Akihito.

> Shulamit Ran, whose Symphony took a 1991 Pulitzer Prize, has won first prize in the Kennedy Centre Friedheim Awards for the piece, making her the first woman to win top honours for new works by American composers.

The Dark Side of the Heart. an offbeat comedy by Argentine director Elisco Subicla about a love affair between a poet and a prostitute, has won top prize at the Montreal World Film Festival. Sofie, a film set in 19th-century Denmark that marks actress Liv Ulimann's debut as a director. won the special Grand Prix du

Comedian Jerry Lewis's 27th annual muscular dystrophy telethon raised a record \$45,759,368 despite complaints from victims of the disease who said that what disabled people most needed



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effort was under way to divert Two weeks ago Mr Clinton

Legion, the veteran servicemens' organisation, to make "one final statement" on a draft issue that has dogged him since the New Hampshire primary in February. He urged his audience to look forward not back, and was applauded by potentially his harshest critics. The aim was inoculation. "It's impossible for the Republicans to try to resurrect this issue again, giv-

He spoke as voters trickled to the polls for Dade County's hurricane-delayed primary election, just one of many signs that south Florida was struggling to return to some semblance of normality. Mr Bush announced the aid

his condolences to Mr Bush over the hurricane deaths and offered to send Russian workers and machinery to help. In Florida, the army said that it was opening another "tent city" for refugees, even as relief officials claimed to be moving towards reconstruc-tion. Military officials said on

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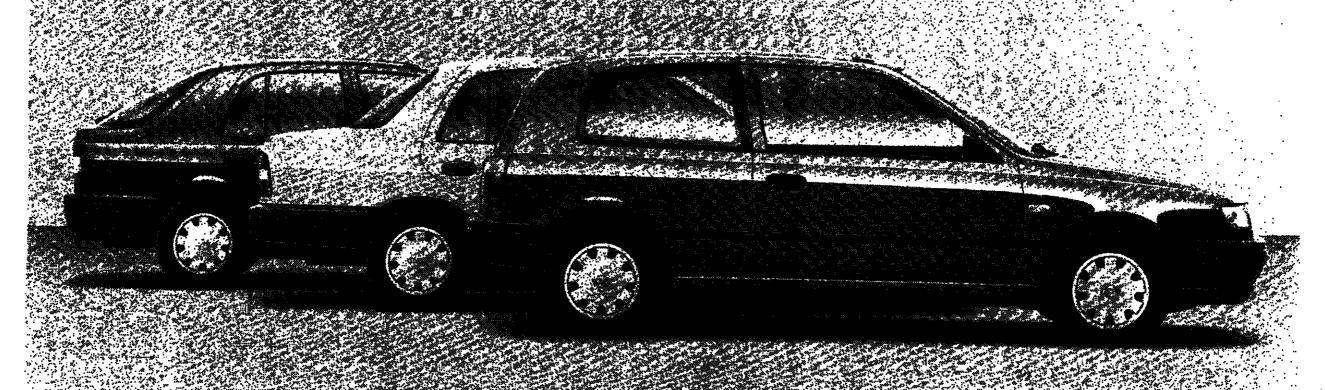
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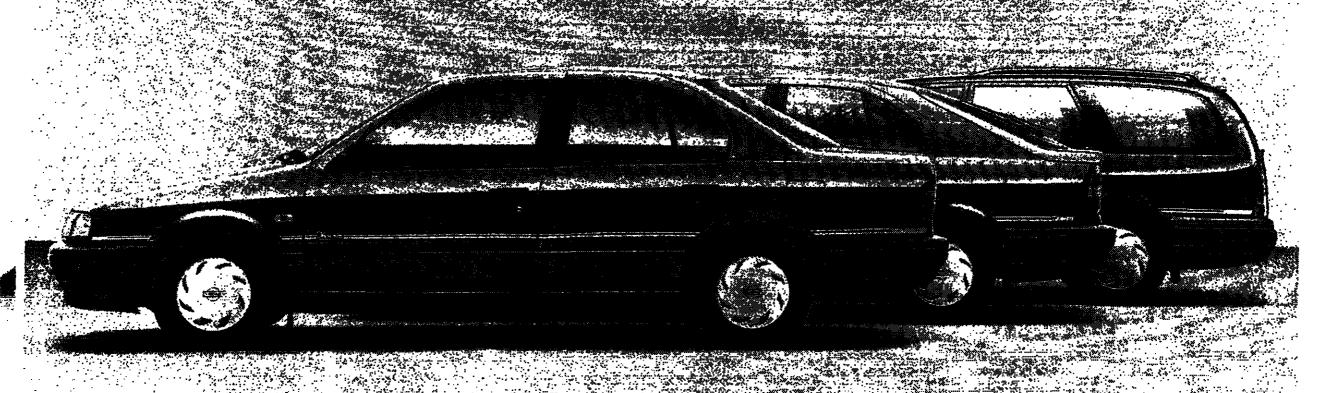


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Mitterrand musters glitterati to beat drum for Maastricht



Deneuve: on a list of

ELTON John and Clint Eastwood came on first. warming up the audience before the starring act of France's top television show on Monday night a sing-along by Charles Trenet and minister, and his wife.

The grandfatherly Bérégovoy rarely takes the stage outside political debate, let alone his wife, but there was a matter of timing. That night also saw the launch of the official campaign for Maastricht, a detail unmentioned by the Bérégovoys in their family appearance on Michel Drucker's first variety show of the season on TF-1, the commercial channel.

The show was just another instance of a phenomenon which has the anti-Maastricht campaigners spluttering with anger. This is the way that the

The bias of celebrities and the media in favour of a 'Yes' vote has left France's 'No' campaigners on the sidelines, writes **Charles Bremner** from Paris

about the whole establishment, from business captains to scientists and pop singers.

L'Humanité, the Communist party paper, thundered yesterday against what it called a conspiracy and "sordid media manipulation". Philippe Seguin and Charles Pasqua, the leaders of dissenting Gaullist faction, com-plained that editors were too much in favour of a "Yes" vote.

The most glaring example of what is seen as one-sidedness was President Mitmarathon last Thursday, also on TF-1. The so-called debate was tailored by the Elysée palace which picked three pro-

Maastricht journalists and relegated the high point, M M itterrand's session with M Seguin, to a hurried half hour after 11pm, when viewers were exhausted. Philippe de Villiers, a dissident from Valery Giscard d'Estaing's UDF grouping, said the show dem-onstrated how "democracy and fairness are held in contempt in our country".

Equally frustrating for the "No" side is the distribution of campaign broadcasts, which began this week. By decree, the broadcasts are allotted according to the parliamentary representation of each par-ty. This has given 84 minutes to the "Yes" parties and six



"No". The Gaullist Rally for the Republic of Jacques Chirac has another 30 minutes, but has managed to neutralise itself by splitting the time to reflect the disagreement among its deputies. The result is a bewildering performance in which viewers are being told the treaty is either wonderful or a disaster. Speaking for dissenting Socialists, Jean-Pierre Chevenement said the allocation of broadcasts had

gagged a side supported by 40 per cent of the left-wing

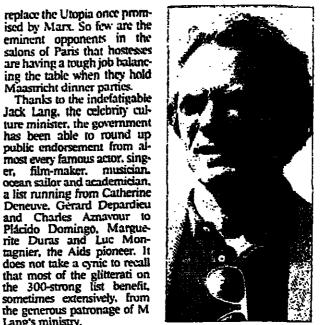
The deafening serenades of the pro-Maastricht orchestra spring partly from the old tradition of government influ-ence on broadcasting. But beyond the question of dictates to news bosses lies the fact that the whole "audio-visual landscape", as it is called, is part of the elite network with close links to the Socialist-technocratic power which has ruled for a decade. Since most of its members favour Maastricht. along with almost all the chartering classes, there is little incentive to promote the "No"

The government is greatly helped by the way the treaty appeals to all sides, from business leaders and conscrvative high civil servants to the cariar gauche, M Mitter-rand's Left Bank crowd for

replace the Utopia once promised by Marx. So few are the eminent opponents in the salons of Paris that hostesses are having a tough job balancing the table when they hold Maastricht dinner parties. Thanks to the indefatigable

ture minister, the government has been able to round up public endorsement from al-most every famous actor, sing-er, film-maker, musician, ocean sailor and academician. a list running from Catherine Deneuve, Gerard Depardieu and Charles Aznavour to Placido Domingo, Margue-rite Duras and Luc Monagnier, the Aids pioneer. It does not take a cynic to recall that most of the glitterati on the 300-strong list benefit. sometimes extensively. from the generous patronage of M Lang's ministry.

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Eastwood: given role of

Waigel tells Germans to agree wage freeze or face tax increases

AS AN embattled Helmut Kohl faced calls for a government of national unity. the German administration yesterday threatened new tax increases unless workers in the west agreed a voluntary two- to three-year wage freeze. Introducing what he said was an "iron-hard savings budget." Theo Waigel, the finance minister, said his austerity programme would raise money for investment in the east while bringing down interest

"German consolidation and stabilisation efforts will meet the expectations of our [EC] partners and provide the framework for a drop in interest rates," he said.

rates throughout Europe.

At the same time he promised to cut benefits for asylum seekers and to find ways of stemming the flow of refugees entering the country. Last year accommodating asylum seekers cost taxpayers £5.3 billion. Resentment about the influx has led to the current attacks on foreigners, and a new poll shows that support for the far right is now over 10 per cent nationwide and is stronger in the west than in the east.

Herr Kohl told a meeting of his ruling Christian Democrats there was "not the slightest reason" for "disgraceful rumours" that Wolfgang Schauble, the Christian Democrat Bundestag leader, had been plotting to challenge him and create a coalition with the Social Democrats.

Herr Kohl was blamed by the opposition in the Bundes-

tag for the right-wing unrest. Herr Waigel replied that the tough budget proved the government was taking a lead. But the fact that the record 435.65 billion mark budget has grown by 2.5 per cent since last year underlines the difficulties Herr Waigel is having finding money for restructuring the economy in the east. One mark in every five is already earmarked for the east but the government expects at least 150 billion marks a year will be needed for the rest of the century to honour Herr Kohl's promise to turn the east into a "flour-

ishing landscape".

Herr Waigel deplored the way in which some big German banks have been advising customers to avoid planned investment taxes by sending money to Luxem-bourg. The Grand Duchy would not be allowed to be-

While calling for a wage freeze, the minister warned that workers must maintain high productivity. A I per cent drop in performance in the west would mean that there would be 30 billion marks less to invest in the east, he said. He had a gloomy view of the economy this year, with growth at just 1.5 per cent, down from the 2.5 per cent he

predicted in the spring. The government's economic difficulties, coupled with the inability of the Social Democrats to agree a coherent policy on limiting immigration, have significantly increased the numbers prepared to vote for extreme right-wing parties. Government parties announced yesterday that they intend tabling a draft law to limit the right of asylum.

A Marplan poll has found that 14.3 per cent in the west and 9.7 per cent in the east would vote for the radical Republican party. Among young people between 18 and 24 support for the far right was far higher, however — 20 per cent in the west and 24 per cent in the east. The poll found that up to 36.6 per cent in the west would consider voting for with 23.2 per cent in the east.

Eckhart Werthebach, head of German counter-intelligence, wrote in the Mittledeutschen Zeitung yesterday that skinheads in the east were becoming increasingly political and brutal. It was also clear that their attacks were



Safe behind bars: children of asylum-seekers behind a gate yesterday at the Hinrichshagen refugee camp near Rostock, Germany, where they were moved after attacks by right-wing extremists forced another camp nearby to close

Owen joins Vance on mission to Balkans

By MICHAEL BINYON DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

LORD Owen, the European Community's Balkans negotiator, will make his first visit to the region today when he flies to Zagreb with Cyrus Vance. the United Nations co-chairman of the Geneva conference. The two will go to Sarajevo tomorrow and Belgrade on Friday.

Their trip comes after Radovan Karadzic, the Bosnian Serb leader, announced that he would accept the deadline imposed by Lord Owen to place all heavy weapon under UN control. There was some confusion on the starting date, but a UN spokesman said that even if this was not until Saturday, the joint Owen-Vance deadline, the announcement was still good news.

Dr Karadzic promised in London to place all heavy weapons under UN supervision within 96 hours, and would complete the round-up seven days later. The spokes man said the two negotiators would have a chance to assess the situation on the ground themselves. They will also press the warring groups for guarantees that harassment of humanitarian relief would stop, and have called representatives to Geneva to discuss the

resumption of aid. Lord Owen was in Britain vesterday to co-ordinate work with his aides. He is likely to return on Saturday to brief EC foreign ministers, who will be meeting informally at Brocket Hall. Hertfordshire, over the weekend to discuss EC policy on former Yugoslavia, among other things. The UN has poured cold water on hopes that relief flights to Sarajevo could soon be resumed after a five-day suspension. Italy also said that any resumption of flights to Bosnia was "unthinkable" unless the UN introduced security measures to prevent any more planes

being shot down. The people of Sarajevo yesterday were running short of food, medical supplies and other essentials because of the interruption to relief flights.
Officials of the UN High Commissoner for Refugees said stocks were almost exhausted, and not enough was

coming in by land. Boutros Boutros Ghali, the UN secretary-general, said yesterday in Paris that he would ask the UN Security Council to authorise air cover for relief convoys in Bosnia if countries offered to provide

NEWS IN BRIEF Date set for

Lithuania withdrawal

RUSSIA agreed yesterday to pull all former Soviet troops out of Lithuania by the end of August 1993, speeding up the process by more than a year (Anne McElvoy writes). President Yeltsin held talks in Moscow with President Landsbergis and set a new timetable for the removal of about 20,000 troops from the

Mr Landsbergis praised the good nature and international expertise" of Mr Yeltsin in securing the deal but he added: "Certain sections of the defence and foreign ministry have ... tried to stand in the way of this."

Asked whether the Lithuanian deal set a precedent for Latvia and Estonia. Mr Lansbergis said: "As far as I am concerned ... what goes for one should go for all." Estonia and Latvia had pressed Mr Landsbergis to maintain a united front on the date but now appear to hope that Lithuania's agreement can act as a precedent.

But the position of Estonia and Latvia with their large Russian populations is more complicated. Mr Yeltsin's negotiators have linked withdrawal dates to the granting of citizenship to Russians -something Riga and Tallin are resisting. Larvia and Estonia also have naval bases that Moscow is disinclined to forfeit without exacting a price.

Builders strike

Athens: Riot police used batons and tear gas to disperse striking building workers demonstrating against a social security bill and austerity measures outside the national economy ministry in central Athens. (Reuter)

Court rules

Bucharest: The supreme court has ruled on appeal that President Iliescu can stand for parliament for the Democratic National Salvation Front although the president cannot belong to a political party. (Reuter)

Japan ages Tokyo: Japan has more than began. At an average of 82.1 years for women and 76.1 for men, Japanese live longer than any other nation-ality. (Reuter)

Still running

Rome: Italian police, delighted to have captured Giuseppe Madonia, allegedly the Mafia's second in command. have been sobered by a report that 12,000 suspected criminals are still on the run. (Reuter)

Visit called off

Scoul: A trail-blazing trip by South Korean business leaders to communist North Korea has been called off because the two countries could not agree on the composition of the South Korean dele-gation. (Reuter)

Savage sighted

Peking: Thousands of tourists have descended on China's Shenlongjia national parks hoping to glimpse "savage". a giant, man-like beast covered with red hair, said by locals to be seen loping through the brush. (Reuter)

Cave man

Madrid: The Alava provincial government has started legal action to recover £67,000 it gave an archaeology student to study cave paintings he had discovered after officials spent £1.000 proving he had faked

Nordic economies suffer in the worst of possible worlds FROM TONY SAMSTAG, NORDIC CORRESPONDENT

were in upheaval yesterday after the Finnish central bank announced that it had allowed the markka to float outside the exchange rate mechanism. The announcement, which was followed by an eight-point increase in the Swedish marginal lending rate, was seen as a harbinger of a second Finnish devaluation in less than a

In recent months, rising short-term interest rates and plunging equity prices throughout the Nordic region have been variously attributed to uncertainty over the fate of the Maastricht treaty, interest instability in the European monetary system and the weakness of the dollar. Nordic currencies have been shunned by investors, and big capital outflows from Finland and Sweden in particular have aggravated insecurity among minority or coalition govern-ments grappling with im-pending EC membership.

As EC membership beckons, individual Nordic economies have begun to follow European patterns more closely than during the years when the European Free Trade Association was still seen as a viable alternative to the Community. Denmark has been an EC member for a genera-tion; Sweden and Finland have applied for membership and Norway for the first time in 20 years is trying seriously to take the decision to apply. The recent pattern in these countries, as elsewhere in Europe, has been decreasing inflation, now averaging below 3 per cent, while unemployment has risen to levels previously considered unacceptable in non-EC Scandina-

via, well above 7 per cent Sweden. Norway and Finland are not part of the ERM; but they have individually chosen to tie their currencies to the Community, using fluctuation bands determined by the ecu or finely judged "baskets" The Finnish decision to free its currency from this artificial restraint suggests that the attempt to anticipate full EC membership in this way may

not have been a good idea. In fact, the Nordic economies outside the EC seem to be suffering from the worst of both worlds. While they have spent the past five to ten years

EC membership will ulti-mately enable the Nordic economies to participate fully. for better or worse, in the financial and trade institutions that might at least have made their present troubles no worse than those of their European neighbours. The biggest danger for Scandina-via is that the interim period might prove so turbulent, particularly in the light of doubts over Maastricht, as to hinder or even abort their progress

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towards membership.

trying to dismantle their protectionist financial systems to gain access to international markets, domestic political considerations have obliged them to maintain restrictive trade policies that would be laughed out of court elsewhere in Europe. One result has been a loss of faith by most important trading partners in byword for stability, efficiency and quality - compounded by the self-inflicted status of Scandinavian businessmen, newly at large in the world of global commerce, as innocents

Pressure on pound, page 17

imes evidently are becom-

ing hard even for the Aga

Khan who, his Ciga group

said yesterday, has put his

exclusive Costa Smeralda

Yacht Club in Sardinia up for

sale at a giveaway price of 12

There have been persistent

reports that Silvio Berlusconi,

the media owner, wants to

buy the prestige establishment whose 500 members

enjoy a stupendous position

overlooking the marina at Porto Cervo. But a Ciga official denied that the Mila-

nese television mogul was a potential purchaser. "Only

members will be admitted to

the operation," Claudio Miorelli, the official, said.

The members include Gianni Agnelli, the Fiat mag-

nate, Sheikh Yamani, the

former Saudi Arabian oil

billion lire (£5.6 million).

organised centrally.

ITALY NOTEBOOK by John Phillips Top people's club for sale after Aga Khan feels the pinch

> American multimillionaire whose boat won the America's Cup this year. Signor Berlusconi is not a confess their summer peckeen enough yachtsman to number among the members. But in any case his aides have comfort thanks to a new, let it be known from Milan

that he is not interested. The newspaper La Re-pubblica said yesterday that the sale of the club, with the disposal of several of the Italian hotels in the Ciga chain, "ought to allow the Aga Khan to recover liquidity". It suggested that his finances have suffered, like those of nearly all the rich in Italy, from the repeated interest rate increases made recently to defend the struggling lira.

But whoever eventually

buys the two-storey club-

house, Signor Miorelli says

minister, and Bill Koch, the

that "the end use of the building will not change".

talians returning from I their holidays who wish to cadillos will be able to do so in increasingly popular "all mod cons" confessional box.

Turin cathedral already has installed one of the confessionals marketed by the appropriately named company Genufiex, which is based in Treviso province. Paolo Lion, the owner of the company, takes credit for the design, which includes air conditioning for the summer, central heating for the winter and guaranteed sound-proofed walls to prevent eavesdropping by other members of the congregation. "We sell con-

fessionals in all styles from

He's right down to

the 17th to the 20th centuries, adapting them to the architecture of the church in question, Signor Lion said. 'Inside, there are all comforts. One can kneel down before a grille, as in the past, or one can transform that small space into a real little lounge with armchairs, coffee tables and soft lighting. The grating disappears and one can choose temperature."

Signor Lion says he is especially proud of the acoustics. "One can speak freely. Today confession is not a long list of sins but a dialogue with the priest. So it is important that those with hearing problems can feel at their ease. without fears that all the faithful will discover their

The top model modern confessionals cost as much as 11 million lire, but Signor Lion provides discounts of up to two million lire for clergymen who turn in their old models in part exchange.

A for cultural heritage, has lberto Ronchey, minister banned the awards ceremony of the annual Venice film festival from being held in St Mark's Square on Saturday. Signor Ronchey took the decision after experts said that large crowds could dam-

age the flagstones of the square, recalling the outrage felt when rock fans attended a Pink Floyd concert there. City authorities, however, were upset by the ministerial decision, which they felt takes some glamour out of the

festival and reduces its competitiveness with the rival extravaganza held at Cannes. Signor Ronchey is unrepentant and says he will take an equally tough line to defend the heritage of Italy whenever necessary. "Every time I will refer to the opinion of experts. If the opinion is negative, I will not hesitate to

take unpopular decisions."

Militants gambled that presence of journalists would restrain Ciskei troops

International press was no shield against barrage of bullets on the way to Bisho

Michael Hamlyn reconstructs the events

that led to Brigadier Joshua Goozo's

troops opening fire and killing up to 28

Ciskei troops lined this road.

When Mr Kasrils returned

to make his report the group of leaders decided that a large section of the march should

indeed follow the route they were directed along by the

razor wire into the stadium,

but that they should not stay in

the stadium. Instead, they

would go up to the line of troops beyond and attempt to

brush past them into Bisho.

Mr Kasrils and Mr Hani were

given the task of leading this

section. At the same time Mr.

Ramaphosa and others were

to go to the wire barrier and

try to negotiate a way through.

The police, however, were not

at the wire but some distance

Mr Kasrils yesterday justi-fied the decision to try to rush

the Ciskeian line by saying

that nobody would open fire

on an unarmed crowd when

the international press were

CYRIL Ramaphosa, secretary-general of the African National Congress, flew into East London on the coast of the eastern Cape early on Mon-day to put the official ANC stamp on the planned demonstration against Brigadier Joshua "Oupa" Gqozo's government in Bisho, the capital of Ciskei, three miles outside King William's Town.

As he arrived, news came that a Ciskeian magistrate had given permission for the marchers to enter the so-called homeland's territory, but only to go to a stadium 200 yards from the border. This restriction was not accepted by the leaders of the demonstration, who declared their intention of marching to Bisho's centre. The marchers assembled in

King William's Town and set off singing and dancing ahead of Mr Ramaphosa. Accompanying him was Ger-trude Shope, the leader of the women's section of the ANC, and a group of leaders of the South African Communist Party, who had been planning this onslaught on Brigadier Gqozo's capital for some time. They included Chris Hani, secretary-general of the party,

ANC members in their march on Bisho who used to be chief of staff of Umkhonto we Sizwe. (Spear of the Nation) the armed wing of There were also troops behind an embankment alongside the main road inside the univerthe ANC, Ronnie Kasrils, another senior figure in sity campus.

Umkhonto as well as a central committee member of the Communist party and mem-ber of the ANC's national Also present was Raymond Suttner, another Communist

and ANC executive member, who had spent the weekend telephoning all the foreign journalists he could to encourage them to attend. Their presence was to be a significant factor in the decisions that were made later.

Half way up the hill to Bisho, the march halted and the leaders sent Mr Kasrils and others ahead to reconnoitre. He reported that there was razor wire across the main road intended to funnel the marchers into the stadium along a dirt side road.

> As the marchers, now some 70,000 strong, approached the brow of the hill where the border lies, Mr Kasrils and Mr Hani led their section off to the left towards the stadium. At this point Brigadier Wynand van der Merwe of the South African police, who had accompanied the marchers to the border, disappeared. He drove hastily to a police helicopter close by and flew back down into the valley.

Asked yesterday why he had done so, he said: "I could see what was going to happen, and I wanted to be out of the way." He insisted that he did

not have any advance infor-mation, and also did not think there would be a massacre with the international press

A large group of marchers had been surging forward through the bush to the left of the main march and they ran into the stadium ahead of the rest. Mr Kasrils ran outside the stadium round an earth bank which surrounds it on that side. He discovered the open access tunnel on the northeast side and began urg ing the by now sprinting demonstrators through it. At this point Ciskei troops

opened fire. There were no warning shots, and no warnings. It seemed to those present that a direct order to fire had been given for a veritable barrage opened up.

The barrage lasted one and a half minutes, though it seemed to those of us exposed near the razor wire to be much longer than that. After a brief pause, a second

barrage opened up and, for marchers huddled to the ground. Finally it ended and people began to count the

by Brigadier Goozo said his men had been fired on by the crowd and had been returning fire only in self-defence.

Mr Kasrils said the organisers had known there was a risk. "Throughout history, how has tyranny been toppled?" he asked. "Never without casualties. This is the nature of the struggle. People are prepared to accept sacrifice, provided the leadership is prepared to be with them." Mr Ramaphosa said: "I have never been so scared in

> Police seal border, page Leading article, page 13 The power of one.



Prayer mission: Archbishop Desmond Tutu of Cape Town, left, and other church leaders who went to Bisho in an attempt to mediate, praying in the shadow of police armoured personnel carriers on the South Africa-Ciskei border yesterday

ANC pelts police at consulate

FROM RAY KENNEDY IN JOHANNESBURG

SOUTH African police cocked their rifles yesterday in a confrontation with African National Congress supporters

sulate in Johannesburg.

The protesters had tried to tear down a South African flag outside a nearby hotel. As police moved in to stop them. they were pelied with fruit and one was hit on the head by a flying bottle. Police cocked their rifles, but the constable who had been hit defused the situation. He gingerly rubbed his head and walked away. In Cape Town, six ANC members were allowed into an

Years of blood

1960: Sixty-nine killed in Sharpeville during anti-apart-1976: Riots in Soweto.

1984: Battles in Natal between UDF and Inkatha. 1985: Riots in Soweto and other Johannesburg town ships spread.

supporters raid Boipatong township, killing 43. On September 7, about 60,000 ANC supporters march on Ciskei, and Ciskei troops open fire.

office block housing the Ciskei consulate after a stormy con-

The ANC in the Orange Free State announced that it would march today on the Owagwa homeland, on the border of independent Lesotho, to demand the resignation of Kenneth Mopeli, the chief minister.

A former Ciskei army officer claimed yesterday that Briga-dier Marius Oelschig, com-mander of the Ciskei forces, was on secondment from the South African Defence Force. Colonel Gert Hugo said in a radio interview: "He has been in daily contact with Pretoria."

Patten to decide fate of dissidents

IN HONG KONG

THE fate of two Chinese women dissidents is in the hands of Chris Patten, the governor of Hong Kong, after Britain's refusal to grant them political asylum.

Liu Yijung. 29, and Lin Lin, 24, said they were activists during the 1989 Tiananmen Square protests. They escaped to Hong Kong last December and have been detained as illegal immigrants. They were nearly repatriated last Satur-day after Kenneth Clarke, the home secretary, rejected a request for asylum. But a lastminute ruling by a Hong Kong judge suspended plans to return them by force.

The Hong Kong High Court will tomorrow consider their application for a judicial review of the decision to deport them. But it is Mr Patten who will make the final decision on whether they can stay. Human rights groups, including Amnesty International say they face persecu-tion in China. Chinese officials in Hong Kong are pressing for their return.

Last night Lau Chin Shek, a legislator and activist, handed a petition to Mr Patten during a dinner reception for Alastair Goodlad, minister of state with special responsibility for Hong Kong. Mr Lau said the dissidents had difficulty proving their identities because they were robbed by the person who helped smuggle them to the colony.

Mr Patten was asked to consider new evidence showing Ms Liu was a journalist who wrote and circulated rebellious poems, and Ms Lin was a computer programmer who offered her refuge.

the women's claims from independent sources. Lawyers have released poems Ms Liu distributed in a leaflet in June 1989. Human rights activists are appealing to witnesses to produce more copies of her

now Lord Wilson of Tillyorn. rejected the pair's request for asylum on the ground that there was not enough evidence to support their case. The Home Office has not offered any explanation.

UN force's arrival renews fear of Somalia violence

From Sam Kiley in nairobi

THE first armed United Nations troops to protect aid workers and food convoys amid the anarchy of Somalia are due to arrive in the capital, Mogadishu, on Saturday.

The 60 soldiers from a Pakistani mechanised infantry battalion will be the vanguard for another 440 and will be charged with securing Mogadishu airport against looters and bandits who regularly interrupt relief flights.

Over the weekend, a worker with the International Medical Corps was murdered in front of the American director of the organisation by a 16year-old who shot him point-blank, halting flights to the airport for two days.

The Pakistani troops, commanded by Brigadier General Imtiaz Shaheen, are known to be well trained and experienced (they come from the unit he ran as a colonel), and they may have to fight immediately on landing. The airport is under the "neutral" clan of the Hawadle, which has managed to maintain its hold on the vital installation despite successive attacks from rival clans, led either by General Muhammad Farrah Aidid or his arch-rival, Ali Mahdi

The airport has been a

hicrative source of revenue for the Hawadle, who charge £50 a flight and often demand an additional £10 from new arrivals, especially journalists. The threat of the Pakistanis breaking that monopoly is almost

certain to be met with violence. The troops' arrival will also be met with mixed feelings by aid workers. They would welcome improved security so that they can deliver aid effectively to the starving population of more than four million. But if fighting breaks out between UN forces, who have the right to return fire. and gunmen, all foreigners will become targets.

"We will just have to hope that sanity prevails among the insane," one aid official said yesterday. The UN plans to send another 3,000 troops to key positions in Berbera, Bosasso, Mogadishu and Kismayu over the coming months. Aid workers, however, say that the only immediate beneficiaries of the UN deployment will be the media.

Aside from a handful of correspondents working from Nairobi, few journalists visited Somalia until June, long after the famine was under way. Aid workers such as David Shearer, of the Save the Children Fund, and Stephen Tomlin, of the International Medical Corps, have been struck by the flood of media people to Somalia and by the insensitivity prevailing among many of

Television crews and photographers have come close to being shot for brandishing their equipment at gunmen, who resent having their picture taken, and at least five have been stripped and left in the street. Other crews arrive uninvited at aid workers houses and, as Miss Pauline Dodds, of the International Committee of the Red Cross, said, "drink the fridge dry and eat all the food". One crew, from the Ameri-

can CBS network, was singled out for condemnation by the International Medical Corps. In Baidoa, they were accused of eating bisquits and drinking mineral water in front of starving children whom they then knocked off their feet with their camera tripods. Peace plea: Portuguese, American and Russian repre-sentatives, alarmed at the

prospect of renewed civil war in Angola, pressed the country's main political rivals yesterday to form a government of national unity during the transitional period after this

NEWS IN BRIEF Uganda army

violating human rights

SIX years after coming to power with a promise to protect human rights, the Uganda government had still not stopped serious human rights violations by the army, Amnesty International said yesterday. In the northern Nuba mountains of Sudan, the government has been engaged in a campaign of "ethnic deansing" to remove non-Arabs from their homeland, according to Africa Watch.

Life for death

Johannesburg: The death sentence on Jerry Richardson, former head of Winnie Mandela's bodyguard, was com-muted to life imprisonment.

Tip-off claimed

Jerusalem: Israeli agents were tipped off about a terrorist attack during the 1972 Munich Olympics in which 11 athletes died, but ignored the warning, it was reported. (AFP)

Police fined

Harare: Augustine Chihuri, Zimbabwe's chief of police, and a colleague were fined £60 and given suspended jail terms of six months for handling stolen cars.

Jordan unearths Islamic arms

FROM REUTER IN AMMAN JORDAN has unearthed court will soon try nine mem- talists and their Syrian-backed bers of the Islamic Resistance

ing machineguns and explosives, in a round-up of illegal Muslim fundamentalist groups with foreign links, official sources said yesterday. "In one case, 140

machineguns, 50 hand grenades, over 20 pistols and some one million bullets were found buried in six cement bunkers near Amman." one source said. A state security

the arms. Hamas, which is active in the Palestinian uprising against Israeli rule in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, and has close links with Jordan's Muslim Brotherhood, issued a statement saying the arms were intended for the occupied territories. In

Lebanon, Muslim fundamen-

Movement (Hamas) arrested

last month in connection with

allies won a crushing victory in the third-round voting In another raid, liquid ex-

plosives, guns with silencers and machineguns were found in the possession of a previously unknown group calling itself Shabab al-Nafir al-Islami (Vanguard of Islamic Youth). Police have charged Yacoub Qarrash, a lower house deputy, with leading the

Punjab dreams of good life in Southall

FROM CHRISTOPHER THOMAS IN DAYALPUR

DAYALPUR, huddled between the suggar cane fields and rice paddies of eastern Punjab, is fast becoming a ghost town. Nearly half its people live abroad, mostly in England. Everybody wants to emigrate — Southall and Brixton seem to be viewed as the promised land. One man said his brother lived in Barking and worked on the

Every pukka house is owned by people abroad. The influx of money to relatives left behind has created bizarre distortions in the local economy, such as the construction of an electronic telephone exchange for a largely illiterate population of about 900. But they all have telephones and they make many calls to England,

America, Canada, Australia and the Middle East. The village school is un-

commonly prosperous. An

inscription at the main gate says that it was established with money sent from abroad, mostly England. At the end of the main street, a dusty track edged by an open sewer, the Sikh temple has been given a new coat of white paint. It has so much money that the head priest is having a new house built. A television aerial sits on every little house and nearly everybody has a video recorder. Many people own generators to beat the incessant power

built and there is a 25-bed The rest of rural Punjab looks on in wonderment. The

cuts. A new clinic is being

first person to emigrate from Dayalpur was a man called Gill, who went to England in 1952 and did well in business. He encouraged scores of others to join him and the



emigration tradition started. Jaswinder Kaur, 19, who was born in Huddersfield, returned to her father's village recently to take back to

England the man she married two years ago. In a northern English accent she said she "couldn't live here. like, but I don't mind coming for a visit, know what I mean? After all, I am British, not Indian." Even so, she agreed to an arranged marriage.

The village post office is where old men sit around discussing letters they have received from relatives abroad. Most of the people left behind are old. Every day Bhuneshwar Dutt, the subpostmaster, handles about 40 letters from overseas. He said that several villagers who had lived in England for many years visited his post office regularly to collect their British old age pensions.



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Let the nation give its verdict

Ronald Butt on why the British, too, deserve a referendum on Maastricht

he prime minister says that he has "no hesitation" in rejecting a referendum in Britain on the Treaty of Maastricht. He admits that if the French say No to it, the treaty is dead. But if they say Yes, by however narrow a majority. Mr Major wants the British people to be content with what he calls the "bruising passage" he expects the bill to have through Parliament as it is debated clause by clause, with the whips presumably imposing their discipling themselves.

pline throughout.

His word "passage" clearly assumes that it will inevitably pass. The critics may speak, but are not expected to vote in numbers that would kill any important part of the bill. While something is to be cobbled together to appease the Danes, the British must be content with Mr Major's reinterpretation of the treaty. Whereas the Brussels supranationalists, includ-

ing some of the commissioners, openly describe it as essentially as step towards their supranationalist goal, Mr Major reinterprets it as fully consistent with the expression of national interests, which he now admits the Community has previously failed to respect sufficiently.

So which is it? At a still deeper level does it ensure or undermine the future of effective democracy and law within the EC?

Democracy requires that voters should be able to grasp the arguments between politicians, discuss them among themselves and so create the public opinion to which the politicians must respond. For this a state should be of manageable size, with a shared political culture and a common language.

Locke: the power of the

people is supreme

Maastricht formally salutes the principle of "subsidarity" or "minimum interference". But nationally expressed democracy may be worth little when all major policy-making is constrained by the needs of a single currency, a central bank, the single economic authority that is bound eventually to emerge, majority voting in the Council of Ministers and the European Parliament, and, not least, Brussels' power to initiate policies.

It has become fashionable to say that the Community has failed to carry its peoples along with its policies by sufficient explanation. But ambiguity about its destination and resistance to popular consultation have always marked the advance towards union. The time for that is past. Mr Major was right to sign at Maastricht. It was the best deal he could get, and had he refused, he would have been giving ammunition to those who falsely accuse the British of being bad Europeans. But now that others share British reservations, he should think again.

It will be said that a referendum would infringe the principle of parliamentary sovereignty, which has served us well for centuries and will continue to do so. But to invoke it mechanically and dogmatically

against a referendum when it is the very power of the British parliament at stake is wrong. Parliamentary sovereignty is too important to be used as a political catchphrase, and like many precious things, it has a certain fragility. It is not, to start with, self-sufficient. Even after the revolution of 1688 had established parliamentary sovereignty, John Locke asserted the supreme power of the people — over parliament as much as over monarchs.

The power of parliaments rests on adequate consultation with those who elect them. When some great question hangs over all others, it is usually possible to refer it to the people in a single-issue general election, as over the economic crisis in 1931. As far back as 1339, the Commons told the king that they "dare not assent" to a tax until they had "advised and consulted" their "communities" and had been appropriate their "communities" and

had returned in a new parliament.

The "advising" or leading by politicians is important, but so is effective

consultation.

It was clear at the last general election that the Community's future would be as great an issue for this parliament as Corn Law repeal and Irish Home Rule once were. But it could not be an issue in that election for lack of a clearly defined difference of principle on Maastricht be-

election for lack of a clearly defined difference of principle on Maastricht between the parties. That remains the case, and a general election on it is still ruled out. For such cases, the idea of a referendum has been around since the

19th century, when Dicey unsuccessfully advocated it as a way to settle the Irish home rule question, and it was the referendum in Northern Ireland in 1973 which led to the British commitment to defend it as part of the United Kingdom as long as the majority there wish.

Nor is it true that referendums

are inevitably conservative. The Liberals were for a time committed to one on tariff reform, and it was Labour which ordered the only British nationwide referendum, on the Community in 1975, and also the referendums on Scottish and Welsh devolution in 1979. If ever direct reference to the people through a referendum is justified, it is surely when parliamentary elections cannot produce a clear verdict on a great subject, such as a possible transfer of authority away from parliament.

The nation is entitled to a chance to give a verdict on the Maastricht Treaty, and there are now only two feasible ways. One is an agreement between all the parties that it should be subject to a free vote in parliament, on the assumption that the unwhipped MPs would be a representative sample of the nation. The other is a referendum. Either course would allow a national debate. Parliamentary sovereignty deserves no less.

Ronald Butt is working on the second volume of his history of Parliament

The work of lords lieutenant must go on even if counties are abolished, says John Grigg

hatever the future shape of local government, one ancient element of our counties should not be overlooked: the busy lords lieutenant. A typical entry in the Court Circular recently read: "By command of the Queen. Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Merseyside (Mr Henry Cotton) was present at Hawarden Airport this afternoon upon the arrival of the King and Queen of Spain, and welcomed Their Majesties on be-

half of Her Majesty."

The lords lieutenant were invented by Henry VIII to control the armed forces in each county, but their military role is now almost negligible, surviving only in their close association with the Territorials. Today their essential role is to act as constitutional monarchs in miniature. In all the counties of the United Kingdom, they are the Queen's representatives, performing the sort of ceremonial and social duties that the Queen performs at a higher level. They present BEMs, Queen's awards for export and technology.

and awards to police and firemen.

Miniature monarchs

They are much in demand for opening public institutions, presiding over charitable committees and attending functions in aid of good causes. They are expected to be on parade whenever a royal personage visits their county. A conscientious lord lieutenant may well have at least one local chore on every day of the week, including Sunday.

Not all, however, can be so readily available. For instance, it is hard to believe that Robin Leigh-Pemberton, who as well as being Lord Lieutenant of Kent is Governor of the Bank of England, can spare very much time for duties in the county. He must depend heavily on his vice lord lieutenant and deputy lieutenants. These lesser dignitaries are appointed by the lord lieutenant, but he himself is appointed by the Crown. There is no fixed term for a lieutenancy except, now, a retiring age of 75.

In the past, lords lieutenant were nearly always the leading territorial grandees in their respective counties, but times — and counties — have changed. There are still some lords lieutenant of the old sort, such as the Duke of Buccicuch (Roxburgh) or Lord Digby (Dorset). But there are also many who are neither noblemen nor large-scale landowners, if indeed landowners at all. Mr Conton in Merseyside is a businessman lord lieutenant in a recently created county.

Nevertheless, they are all of considerable standing in their counties, and many are public servants of high quality. But it is more or less obligatory for them to be well-off, because they receive no pay for their services. Apart from charging for secretarial help and transport, they have to finance the job themselves. In particular, they receive no allowance for entertaining.

which seems quite wrong. They are invited each year to one of the Queen's garden parties, and among prime ministers Lady Thatcher showed exceptional appreciation of their work by giving three receptions for them during her tenure. Although the government has specifically recognised the value of their work, by recommending that the lords lieutenant should be figureheads of the proposed non-administrative counties, they do seem to be exploited.

The system is a hangover from the time when there was a governing class which owned most of the land, paid hardly any tax and did a little public work partly in return for and partly to enforce its privileges. Another such hangover is the unpaid lay magistracy, and it is appropriate that lords lieutenant should have an important hand in the choice of lay magistrates.

None of the present lords licutenant is a woman, and there is a marked paneity of women amongvice lord lieutenants and deputylicutenants. In some counties, indeed, there are none at all. One of the very few women lords lieutenant of recent times was Lavinia, Duchess of Norfolk (West Sussey). The Whiggish 11th Duke of

Norfolk was sacked as lord lieutenant of the West Riding of York-

shire for proposing, during the French Revolution, a wast to "our sovereign's health — the majesty of the people". But it is most unusual for them to have radical leanings. An exception during the present century was Sir Charles Trevelyan, who while serving as lord lieutenant of Northumberland was also a member of Stafford Cripps's far left Socialist League. At one meeting of Labour leaders he proposed that British workers should use strikes as a means of controlling British

foreign policy, only to be crushed by

this retort from Ernest Bevin: "You

want a strike? OK, I am to call out

600,000 dockers. Will you call out

Wars in a fictional world

onsidered as fiction, the Booker Prize — the short-list is announced today — has entered a post-modern, mannerist phase. The ritual is overcast by a wilted, weary knowingness. Or, of course, feverish hype — two probable shortlistees were separately described to me yesterday as "the greatest novel of the century", surely the desperation of decadence

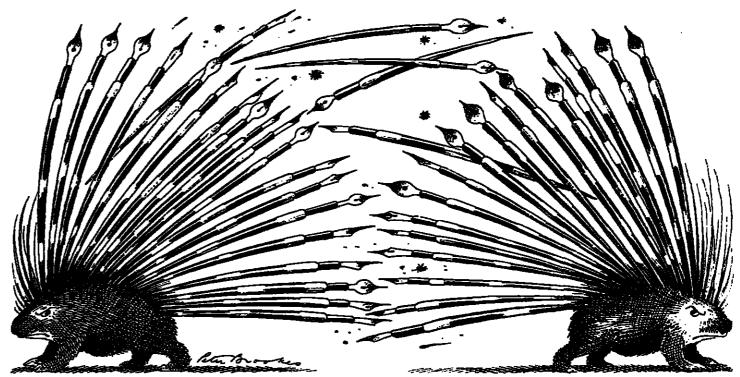
Few dream now of constructing theories about the condition of the novel on the basis of the shortlist. More likely it will inspire wry, acerbic asides about the condition of the recession-hit, frightened publishing industry. And when the first scene of Makolm Bradbury's new novel Doctor Criminale is set at the Booker dinner, it is difficult to avoid the feeling that the prize is coming to the fin of its own private siècle. (Doctor Criminale, incidentally, has paid the price for this hubris: it is not shortlisted.)

The spectacle of Professor Bradbury brooding post-modernistically over this phase makes a certain sense, for he was, in a way, the godfather of the Booker's golden age. It was his courses at the University of East Anglia in the 1970s which convinced young writers that there was something badly wrong with the British post-war novel.

Bradbury taught that the prevailing convention of inward-looking, rather depressed realism — the legacy of the Angry Young Men and the Movement — was a betrayal of the highest, experimental ideals of modern literature. Aspiring writers emerging from the universities drunk on the literary exotica of Barthes, Beckett, Borges and Nabokov, tended to agree. The last thing they wanted to do was write more books about the amusing contradictions and solid virtues of provincial life.

So, from about 1978 onwards, a new generation emerged: Salman Rushdie, Julian Barnes, Ian Mc-Ewan. Peter Ackroyd, Martin Amis, Timothy Mo and so on. They played games with history, mangled chronology and imported new forms of the language. Luckily for them they also found themselves in the midst of the 1980s publishing boom, in which book sales grew, particularly at the smarter end of the market, and the retail trade underwent a spectacu-

Bryan Appleyard ponders the cultural forces that drive the Booker prize



lar and highly effective revolution. For a time, making a good living out of heavyweight novels seemed a serious possibility. The same forces drove the Booker. Who should win became an urgent conversational issue. And, of course, an urgent financial issue the prize could drive hardback sales up from 2.000 to 80.000 and an author's advance for his next book from next to nothing up to £200.000.

So the prize, the post-moderns, the publishers and the bookshops marched hand in hand through the Eighties. Inevitably the recession has scattered the troops. Publishers are now so depressed about the state of their industry that one crosses the street to avoid their anguish. For all but the most established writers, the big advances have ended. This still leaves the post-moderns with solid earnings and big houses, but for now any aspiring next wave will have to remain pure in their garrets.

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But is there a next wave? The answer is not yet, and that raises the further question of whether the Eighties' revitalisation of the novel,

upon which the Booker thrived, was a fluke, a mere blip on the graph of long term decline? The most pessimistic view is that

The most pessimistic view is that we are now reverting to our natural condition as a literary satellite of the United States. In financial terms, this cannot be disputed. There are many more Americans than there are Brits, and they seem to buy twice as many books per head (although the figure is disputed). In publishing terms. America is the ultimate holding company of the English language, just as it now is of so many publishing houses.

Aesthetically, the argument also seems to hold. We have our ageing literary gods — Muriel Spark, Iris Murdoch and William Golding — but, whatever the final judgment of posterity, they do not seem to have the vast, authoritative, patriarchal presence of John Updike or Saul Bellow. Has there been any literary event in post-war British fiction to compare with the appearance of the last of Updike's Rabbit tetralogy, Rabbit at Rest? And can any British novelist-turned-prophet

expect to be heard with the weighty immediacy of Bellow? Murdoch deserves to be, but she isn't.

The unpalatable truth

be that we simply do not have a very literary culture. With the glorious and eccentric exception of The Literary Review, the world of the periodical is dead. And, because of that, there is no effective market for the short story. Few of our big name writers ever issue collections of stories. By contrast, Americans like Raymond Carver. Updike, John Cheever and Donald Barthelme have taken the form to extraordinary heights, with the heroic and dogged support of magazines such as The New Yorker. This is not a small matter. It is now all but impossible to imagine a new British writer with the peculiar combination of intimacy and devastatingly effective brevity of

A literary culture requires neither academics nor a feverish metropolitan café society; it requires an audience of a certain size and seriousness. Perhaps the general American reader simply feels more

confident of the idea of literature and more comfortable with the idea of a great living writer. Outside the politically-correct campuses, there remains in America a strong, perhaps naïve feeling that literature is significant. And even if their writers do not generally make prime-time television, they are at least spared the inspissated gloom of The Late Show or, worse still, the posturing silliness of Burning Books.

It was the scale of American cultural dominance, both in reality and in the British imagination, that helped to create the provincial introversion of the British novel of the 1950s. And to a large extent it was the ambitions of the American novel and, in the case of Nabokov, the honorary American novel that fired the rebellion of the 1980s.

Such a process suggests another inward phase and probably a few quiet years for the Booker. But of course, there is a Murphy's law of literary history, which says that even as this last sentence is being written, an unknown English Updike is probably booting up his word-processor.



...and moreover ALAN COREN

nce, in the sweet lang syne, I had Turbary, Marl, Estover and Pannage. Not, as every Commoner knows, my firm of solicitors firmer even than that, they were the law itself. In those days we owned a ramshackle New Forest godown, which was gone down to at weekends so that we could plod about relishing pastoral things, among which nothing was more pastoral than Turbary. Marl, Estover and Pannage.

Marl. Estover and Pannage. They were Commoners' Rights, which attached to New Forest property and enfran-chised the lucky hutholder to push a wheelbarrow out of his gate and bring it back again piled high with woodland. Turbary was the right to dig turf. Mari the right to dig clay, and Estover the right to gather fuel-wood. Pannage (aka Mast) was different, being the right to turn pigs out to root for acorns, and it remains a source of mortification to me that I was never able to exercise it, because I am a frugal man who has always hated the thought of acorns going to waste, and there is no other use for the acom than putting it into a pig. But as we didn't own one - it was grim enough belting down the M3 every Friday night with a carload of moaningly deracinated infants determined not to know what was good for them, without having a pig on the back seat grunting about all the fun it was going to miss in London - my annual acom catchment was infuriatingly left to rot.

But of Turbary, Mari and Estover I took full advantage.

Happy as a pig in Pannage. I would spend each weekend trundling the forest fruits back to my premises, landscaping banks of clay, turfing them into rolling hummocks, and, when night fell upon my shredded ligaments, lying before a crackling log fire, for there is nothing more satisfying to the countryman than that rich smoky aroma produced when flying slivers of blazing fag-

got meet recently fitted carpet. Yesterday, this all came plangently back. Yesterday was when I decided to remove a bed of old roses from my Cricklewood lawn because they were not old roses any more, they were old sticks. I had given them one more year to produce something, but when the best their etiolated sap could squeeze out were a couple of pitiful excrescences which sprang into the world full-wizened and fell off the next day. I thought it kindest to put all of us out of our misery. This left me with a scar in the lawn four yards by three, and it seemed the most sensible course simply to turf it over.

It grew less sensible with every phone-call. I could find no garden centre prepared to deliver less than 100 square yards of the stuff, which, at £2.25 per sq yd. makes an old Commoner's scalp crinkle: once, I should merely have shouldered a shovel, arranged Hi-ho, Hi-ho! upon my lips and marched into the forest to get it. Upon which thought, a second smartly followed: was Hampstead Heath not common land? What was there to stop me nipping up the road and chiselling a there 12 sq yds

out of the available 4,000,000? Everything. After an hour of being brusquely fobbed from department to department, since that is bound to be the way it is with something which has cho-sen to call itself the London Residuary Body, a pinch-voiced kapo finally had his day made by being able to tell me that the Heath had ceased to be common land in 1870 and had been redesignated a Metropolitan Open Space, which meant that any unauthorised person pulling even a weed up would render himself liable to public hanging. his relatives being forbidden to reclaim the body until the crows had had a good go. Still, I persisted: knowing how blind an eye the law often turns to Heath activities more nefarious even than contraband turf-cutting, I rang Hampstead nick and said, look, we are both men of the world, would anyone really mind if I took 12 yards of turf off the Heath? But since all I heard was the unmistakable noise of a copper dropping senseless to the lino, I quickly rang off before the call could be traced.

Well, you can take the boy out of the forest, but you can't take the forest out of the boy. Since it is a matter of brandy for the parson and turfage for the hack, I intend to be up there tonight with boot-lid raised and shovel swinging, and should any of the Heath's more typical nocturnal lawbreakers grow more than usually agitated in their busy undergrowth, my message to them is Watch the wall, my darlings, while the Commoner runs by!

A jolly good read

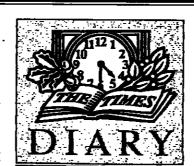
VICTORIA GLENDINNING, who is chairing the Booker prize judges, must be praying for better luck than her recent predecessors. Of late the award has brought nothing but trouble for its judges, harsh reward for an onerous task conducted for scant reward. The final shortlist will be drawn up today, and Glendinning says: "I expect controversy at the meeting. The judges are brilliant, but they are all highly opinionated." At the first meeting one allegedly called another a "condescending bastard"

—all part of the rich literary debate. Her panel, which includes journalists John Coldstream and Mark Lawson. Harriet Harvey Wood of the British Council and Oxford academic Valentine Cunningham, has been meticulous in its reading of the 110 books which they have been ploughing through since April — some eight million words and over 400 hours reading. The judges were then asked to read again a "long shortlist" of 18 before arriving at the final six.

For a fee of just £2,500, it is a heavy workload. But suggestions that some of the novels have received only a cursory glance are taken as the height of bad taste. When on a live broadcast in 1983 Selina Scott asked Fay Weldon, who was chairing the judges, whether she had really read all the novels. Scott found herself virtually ostracised as a

result.

Yet Glendinning knows there is still plenty of scope for trouble. Last year, one of the judges, Nicholas Mosley, resigned after failing to win support for his favoured books. Michael Foot, the 1989 chairman, was a convinced that his vote for



Salman Rushdie's *The Satanic Verses* would sway the panel that he had already written his presentation speech in praise of Rushdie. Instead he found himself in a minority of one.

Glendinning, who is currently touring the country promoting her biography of Trollope — itself a strong contender for the nonfiction NCR prize — says she has found the work rewarding. Another of her predecessors, the late A.J. Ayer, did not. The Oxford philosopher was so furious when he discovered how little he was being paid that he wrote in protest to the organisers. "I have just worked out that although I am a fairly fast reader, I pay my daily charwomen more than you pay me."

 If the Duchess of York is embarrassed about her recent holiday snaps. the Earl of Lichfield, her mother-in-law's cousin, may be able to help. Lichfield, whose famous calendars suggest he knows a thing or two about photographing scantily clad ladies, is promoting a new compact-disc camera which allows owners to view and then alter holiday snaps through their television sets. The new technology permits the viewer to crop unwanted features from the photo. "You can even cut whole people out of the picture, says a spokes-

want to do a thing like that?

In the pink

Cheever.

RED may have been declared politically incorrect at the newly moderate TUC, but yesterday Blackpool was full of delegates in all shades of fetching pink. Nothing to do with the gay pride movement, which has also hijacked the colour. Behind the pinking of organised labour was Margaret Prosser, chairperson of the TUC women's committee, who adopted the idea from a rally of striking women in Switzerland, to whom she had conveyed sororial prectings.

greetings.

For yesterday's equality debate,
Norman Willis, Rodney Bickerstaffe and John Monks all wore



pink ties, while Ken Gill sported a pink carnation. Brothers who looked as if they usually open beer bottles with their teeth donned pink shirts with foppish pink matching handkerchiefs. George Woodcock would surely have rather joined the class enemy.

 Transport is often regarded as one of the gulags of cabinet government, and the former secretary of state Lord Parkinson admitted yesterday that he was filled with gloom when dispatched to the post

by Mrs Thatcher in succession to Paul Channon. "My office was glum and filthy, so on my first day! asked how we could brighten it up. I was told that my predecessor had found the room quite habitable once he had a hung a few of his Canalettos on the wall". Later in the lobby, an envious Parkinson asked Channon if it were true. "Yes," replied Channon, whose personal fortune could pay off a large chunk of the national debt. "But they aren't very good ones."

Sovereignty debate

SO HOW would Henry VIII have voted in the great Maastricht de bate? Few doubt that he would have been a firm No. but controversy broke out yesterday over his six wives. According to Paul Johnson, the unfortunate creatures would have been equally divided. Introducing Lady Antonia Fraser and her new book The Six Wives of Henry VIII at the Foyles literary lunch. Johnson suggested that Anne Boleyn, Jane Seymour and Catherine Parr would have been certain to vote against, while Catherine of Aragon and Anne of Cleves would have been firmly in favour. They would have been joined by Katherine Howard, he concluded, on the grounds that she found it difficult to say no to anything. Lady Antonia immediately took issue with his interpretation. "Anne Boleyn loved France. I think she would have voted yes to European unity," she insisted, claiming a four to two vote in favour of Maastricht.

● From the Sellafield newsletter produced by BNFL and NIREX to promote plans for a new underground nuclear waste facility: "The repository project information unit is opening new premises being in the middle of Whitehaven town centre". Literally? Quite possibly. says Greenpeace.

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CAN THE CENTRE HOLD?

The only certainty about Monday's tragedy in Ciskei is that everybody predicted it. There is no excuse for the systematic firing by troops into a large crowd of demonstrators. But the African National Congress had been told what to expect and recklessly went ahead with what amounted to a suicide march. Just as the South African government has cynically used the homeland regimes as part of its "divide and rule" strategy, so the ANC has been goaded into ever more militant acts in its mass action programme. After such bloody incidents, blame is a cheap and plentiful commodity, and one that is rarely helpful to clear analysis.

South Africa's politics are at present in a state of suspended animation. Ever since the release of Nelson Mandela in February 1990, what is termed the negotiating phase of constitutional reform has been in progress. This phase was seen as the prelude first to an interim power-sharing government, and then to a new constitution based on a universal franchise with various entrenchments to protect human and group rights. Much debate has surrounded both the form of power-sharing and the basis of entrenchment. It has also surrounded the legitimacy of the black negotiators. The ANC has still been unable to develop a coherent and democratic national structure.

The negotiations in the Codesa forum have been about reallocating power in a multiracial country. Those involved are thus inevitably looking over their shoulders to their own supporters, wary of signs of weakness, averse to compromise. President de Klerk, still one of the bravest and most canny of Africa's leaders, must keep his white voters in line. He must assure them that he is not capitulating or they will topple him. Unlike the ANC, he is democratically accountable at least within his group. He can sack recalcitrant police chiefs, as he did last week, but he must tread carefully.

For instance, he must apparently keep company with such unsavoury characters as the Ciskeian leader, Brigadier Joshua Goozo. The homeland bosses, wielding considerable patronage, could deliver as much as 10 per cent of the black vote against the ANC in a universal franchise. Psephological calculations suggest that this could be crucial. Hence Mr de Klerk's inability to desert or even denounce Mr Gqozo. The devious fabric of the homeland strategy could

Nor is the ANC in a happier state. Its senior figures are now being drawn ever closer into the informal embrace of government. They are consulted on important economic decisions. Patronage is moving their way. Their principal enemies, the Natal-based Inkatha movement and the PAC, are being excluded. But the result is to weaken their internal support. Nelson Mandela and Cyril Ramaphosa have been wrestling to keep their hardliners with them in the negotiations. That Mr Ramaphosa should have felt obliged to risk his neck on Monday's suicidal march shows the insecurity of his position.

The ANC hardliners seem in tacit alliance with the white far right. Mass protest is the hardliners' strategy: destabilise the state and seize power thereby. The police or homeland security forces can, it seems, be relied on to validate this strategy with atrocities that are internationally publicised. The longer the negotiations are protracted, the more the far right and the far left will tug their leaders away from the table and into the streets, and the harder will it be for Mr de Klerk and Mr Mandela to resist that tugging.

The stature and leadership qualities of both men are now on the line. A kind of power-sharing is in place in South Africa, a sort of coalition exists. But like all coalitions it is vulnerable to splitting. Both sides to this coalition had their weaknesses exposed in Ciskei this week. They must get their supporters behind them at the negotiating table, and fast, whatever outrages occur in the meantime.

BEFRIENDING OLD ENEMIES

British trade unions have imported more from Germany than Realpolitik. By inviting the director-general of the Confederation of British Industry to address the Trades Union Congress's annual conference, they have admitted that more unites both sides of industry than divides them. The German concept of trade unions and management as "social partners" may now have crossed the North Sea.

British trade unions are living in a post-. Marxist world. Marx's theory that capital and labour were natural adversaries and that the alienation of labour would eventually lead to the collapse of capitalism could not have been better disproved than by Howard Davies's speech yesterday. The TUC and CBI, he said, could work together construcing education and training and arguing for British interests in Brussels.

Ten years ago, it was given that the TUC would disagree with anything the CBI said and vice versa. Even the presence at a TUC conference of the director-general of the CBI - if not Lucifer himself, then his satrap would have been unthinkable. What has changed so dramatically?

Conservative employment laws have helped to drag militant trade union leaders back towards the moderate centre occupied by most of their members. Meanwhile a larger proportion of workers does not even belong to a trade union and of those who do. more of them are highly skilled and well paid. But the main difference is that British workers have now suffered unemployment of two to three million twice in the space of a decade.

and plate.

Like little children testing the limits of their parents' patience, British trade unions used to push and push at the corporate structure, safe in the belief that the edifice would never topple. If they could extract higher wages from their employers, it would be at the expense only of far shareholders. The company itself would not suffer and their

jobs would not be at risk. The twin recessions of the early 1980s and early 1990s have shown that one man's pay increase or strike is often the same man's lost job. Unions have recognised that what damages the prosperity of a company will also hurt the people it employs. The interests of employer and employee are inextricably

... If unions and employers have so much in common, is there still a need for a trade union movement? Simply because two sides have shared interests does not mean there is no scope for disagreement. On the micro level, employees will always need someone to represent them in dealings with their bosses. But the emphasis has moved from heelto negotiation. As one TUC leader told The Times recently, the days when union leaders boasted of strikes and battles with managers were over: they now take pride in the fact that strikes are so low.

Is all this the first sign of a new corporatism? One effect of government policies prolonging recession is that industry is becoming a new opposition to the government - perhaps more effective eventually than Her Majesty's loyal one. Even Mr Davies was yesterday calling for more publicsector infrastructure investment to boost the economy. If industry is threatened by recession, jobs are as much at risk as profits.

With businesses going bankrupt at a fearsome rate, trade unions could usefully join forces with employers in lobbying against government economic policy. The more unions loosen their ties with the Labour party and the more CB1 members recognise that a Tory government does not necessarily act in their interests, the easier it will be for the two sides to come together. And together they could wield a formidable extra-parliamentary clout. Workers and managers of the world unite! You have nothing to lose, at

REDS VERSUS GREYS

The grey peril is out of control according to a survey published yesterday. The survey was compiled by the Forestry Commission and refers to squirrels rather than the greypanther power of human oldies. Founded on a questionnaire sent to 2.300 private woodland owners, this is the widest squirrel poll conducted so far. It confirms the Cassandran eco-warnings of the past decade.

The advance of the grey squirrels continues inexorably. Since they were first introduced into Britain at Woburn Abbey a century ago, they have spread rapidly across the land. The native red squirrel has retreated and declined in numbers, because of failure to adapt, a limited diet and habitat, disease and human traffic as well as the advance of the greys. Red squirrels are now confined to a few areas of northern England. North Wales. Scotland and the Isle of Wight, which even the pushy grey squirrels have not yet managed to invade, even in the hardest winters. Some specialists predict that the reds will disappear from England and Wales within the decade. Bark-stripping by the greys is estimated to cost the forestry industry £1 million a year. And the modern vision of recreational forests throughout the land is in danger of being spoiled by the monstrous regiment of teeming grey squirrels.

The native red squirrel, Sciurus vulgaris, has tufted ears, a chocolate coat in winter and a chestnut red coat in summer and eats pine cones. It has a shy, retiring nature, and prefers coniferous forests, where it spends most of its time up the trees. The grey. Sciurus carolinensis, weighs twice as much. is grey in winter and yellow-brown in summer, favours broadleaved woodland and

birds' eggs and the contents of dustbins. It strips the young bark off trees in spring because, like all rodents, it has to gnaw and relieve its aggression after the winter. It is prolific, unBritish and a serious pest.

Much cant is spread about this vermin. Townies, feeding them bread in the parks, are deceived by the cute creatures in cartoons. (Park-keepers now shoot them before dawn, to avoid frightening the tourists.) Beatrix Potter, with Squirrel Nutkin's twee riddle-me-rees, has much to answer for. Something must be done and that means population control and culling by efficient and humane killing. Trapping is labour-intensive and cruel, chemical repellents are expensive and dirty and shooting is inefficient. In the Fifties there was a system of paying a bounty on grey squirrel tails, which led to the folklore of greys being bred for the profit of a squirrel's most distinctive feature.

The most efficient and cost-effective method is Warfarin rat bane. There have been problems with smaller and threatened species, such as voles, field mice, dormice and red squirrels, taking the poison. Its use is banned in several English and Welsh counties and in Scotland. Warfarin should be allowed wherever grey squirrels have taken over. The Forestry Commission's sophisticated new trap that admits only grey squirrels to the poisoned bait, and is impervious by smaller animals, should be concentrated in the vulnerable border areas where grey squirrels are pushing back the reds. Not for nothing is the robust and daytime telephone number. They pestilential grey squirrel known in its original

homeland as the North American tree rat.

dines à la carte on anything from acorns to

From Mr P. J. S. Goward Sir, Richard Bate, referring (letter, the 1980s to a plan-led system.

It introduces a presumption in favour of a development which accords show "material considerations" sufficient to justify a departure from them and may themselves be exposed to an award of costs if they cannot do so at the appeal stage.

Yours sincerely. P. J. S. GOWARD Druces & Attlee (solicitors). Salisbury House, London Wall, EC2.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Journalists at risk in Turkey

From Dr Frances D'Souza and others

Sir. In the first eight months of 1992, seven journalists have been murdered in Turkey for exercising their right to freedom of expression. Many had been working for pro-Kurdish publications in southeast Turkey. Journalists in the region face constant harassment, beatings by the police and arbitrary detention.

The murder rate for journalists is the highest ever documented in Turkey in a single year and certainly the highest of any country in the world so far this year, according to the New York-based Committee to Protect Journalists. Turkey dearly ranks as one of the most dangerous countries in the world for

Nevertheless, Turkey, a member of

both Nato and the Council of Europe and an aspiring European Com-munity partner, has not set up independent enquiries to bring those responsible for the murders to justice. After nearly a year in office, the coalition government has failed to implement promised reforms, including legislation to protect freedom of expression. Meanwhile, journalists are

paying the ultimate price for express-

ing their opinions. September 9 has been declared a day of international action for press freedom in Turkey by the newly formed consortium of freedom of expression groups from Europe, Africa and the Americas (Ifex — International Freedom of Expression Exchange), the London-based members of which have signed this letter.

Yours faithfully, FRANCES D'SOUZA (Director, Article 19 (International Centre against Censorship)), PHILIP SPENDER (Director, Index on Censorship), THOMAS von VEGESACK (President, Writers in Prison Committee, International PEN), Anticle 19. 90 Borough High Street, SE1. September 7.

Streets with taste

From Mr John Mein

Sir, Marcus Binney ("Getting London streets ahead"; August 29) understates the fact when he writes that "the processional routes to Buckingham Palace are the greatest letdown". I do not agree with his solution, though, of allocating famous London thoroughfares to well known architects for improvement, and harmonisation with adjoining areas.

Architects are in competition with each other, and we know all too well that when they make their bold statements in brick, stone and steel they can overlook human scale and values - until. that is, they return to their own homes: Richard Rogers to the white stuccoed elegance of Chelsea, Michael Manser to an 18th-century gem in Chiswick, etc.

No. architects are not best suited to improve our processional routes, though it only requires someone with authority and taste to clear up the extraordinary mess in front of Buckingham Palace.

The hideous metal crowd-control barriers, the tacky wooden flagpoles along the Mall, the wartime breezeblock bunker on Horseguards, the crude colours of the flower beds in front of the palace could all so easily be improved to please the eye, and enhance our state occasions.

Yours faithfully. JOHN MEIN,

Latimer House, Church Street, W4.

From Mr John H. Stafford-Moule

Sir, Marcus Binney writes that London's major thoroughfares are an architectural disgrace. I take no pleasure in nominating Old Kent Road as the most neglected of all routes: a historic road in and out of London for centuries, it brings shame on the capital.

Yours sincerely JOHN H. STAFFORD-MOULE, 6 Bishops Road, Somersham, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire.

Cost of planning rules

August 24) to the inhibiting effect on local planning authorities of the possibility of costs being awarded against them, ignores the effect of the Planning and Compensation Act 1991, which has introduced a move away from the market-led system of

with updated local authority plans for particular areas. Developers seeking permission for a development not in accordance with these will have to

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Putting A levels in the right league

are responding vigorously to this challenge could find themselves dis-

advantaged by your national league

for A level, compared with 229 five

years ago. As a result, we have been

able to offer opportunities to a new

cohort of students, for some of whom a

modest pass grade is a considerable

score has shown a gentle decline,

although our best-performing 229 students would still achieve a prom-

inent place in your table. I am sure that

many other state schools and colleges

Provided that high expectations are

maintained and careful forward plan-

ning undertaken, our experience per-

suades me that educational excellence

and expansion of opportunities are

fully compatible. I therefore hope that

the government will consider carefully

the methodology of its own league tables, to be published in November.

Sir, David Jewell has rightly judged the significance of league tables as

merely providing "some amusement over the breakfast table". Such things

My father's 1924 Letts Schoolboy's

Diary reveals a table featuring no

fewer than 80 public schools. Mr

Jewell's predecessor may or may not

have felt that "appropriate criteria for comparison" had been selected, in that

the table revealed only one dimension:

that of the schools' athletic records. For

instance. Eton's record for throwing

the cricket ball (132yds) eclipsed that

of Haileybury by 24yds 1ft, while Brighton College (42ft 2in at putting

weight) massively out-put Eton

Headmasters may be relieved to

hear that, from my experience over the

past year, their future customers weigh

up which wealth-shattering school to

opt for without paying much attention

to league tables. These have their

rightful place at the breakfast table and in schoolboy diaries.

Yours faithfully.

September 5.

DESMOND DEVITT.

Bardwell Road, Oxford.

Housemaster, Dragon School,

Yours faithfully.
COLIN GREENHALGH,

From Mr Desmond Devitt

are nothing new, however.

Hills Road Sixth Form College,

Principal.

Cambridge.

September 7.

could provide similar examples.

Not surprisingly, our average Ucca

achievement

This year we entered 400 students

From Mr Julian Brazier, MP for Canterbury (Conservative)

Sir. The Master of Haileybury, Mr. David Jewell (letter, September 4), illustrates by an example the large difference in ranking between the "Ucca points" and "percentage pass rate" approaches to judging A-level performance. He offers, however, no ground for the superiority of the latter; indeed under this system any school can improve its scores by encouraging pupils to take fewer subjects.

Consider a single pupil who takes four A levels, scoring A, B, C and F (fail). On the percentage pass-rate system (A-E) his score would be three out of four — i.e., 75 per cent; on the measure which Mr Jewell advocates (the percentage of A and B grades) his score would be two out of four - 50 per cent. If, on the other hand, his school had allowed him to take only his first two subjects, his scores on both Mr Jewell's chosen measures would have risen to 100 per cent. His Ucca points, however, would have rightly

been lower in the second case. While the Ucca points system has some weaknesses, any percentage-rate approach calculated against the number of exams taken, instead of the number of students sitting them, is simply ridiculous.

Yours faithfully, JULIAN BRAZIER. House of Commons. September 8.

From Mr R. D. Macnaghten

Sir, What your A-level table (August 29) does not indicate is the correlation between the teaching ability of the staff and the intellectual ability of the

Until you can find some method of relating the final examination results to the initial ability of the candidates. your tables will remain as good an indication of the academic quality of a school as one comparing the number of runs scored by different schools would be of their athletic skills.

Yours sincerely. R. D. MACNAGHTEN (Headmaster of Sherborne, 1974-88), Prospect House, Tisbury, Wiltshire. August 31.

From the Principal of Hills Road Sixth Form College, Cambridge

Sir, With the government committed to increasing the number of students in post-16 education and training, those state schools and colleges which

Sterling speculation

From Mr Leonard A. Jackson

Sir, Mr Paul N. Arthur (letter, September 3) writes that "over 85 per cent of demand and supply (of sterling) is speculative rather than trade-related". If correct, the 85 per cent must surely include routine switching of vast sums by the institutions (pension funds and insurance groups) to high-interest centres to provide higher pensions and lower premiums and, one supposes, large support transactions of central banks.

Neither could be described as purely speculative. How much is genuine currency speculation?

Despite Mr Arthur's wish to abolish the European monetary system, its offspring, the exchange-rate mechanism (ERM), has served Europe well. It has monitored and helped to reduce inflation. Its members are bound to intervene to purchase an ERM currency on its floor, thus nipping in the

bud a speculator's aim of forcing the currency down and buying i lower rate. It is a safeguard against Gower rejection speculation within the EC. Britain

needs this protection. Mr Anhur's remedy that governments should individually aim at rates of exchange which would minimise their own trade imbalances seems to me a recipe for maximum instability. and unworkable, since trade-related flows would continue to be swamped by the larger non-trade flows.

We can only work in and through the market systems and — with no wish to score debating points—I see no way in which the smaller volume of trade-related transactions can by itself determine rates of exchange.

I am, Sir, yours faithfully, L. A. JACKSON. Stable Cottage, Speldhurst Road, Langton Green, Kent. September 5.

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Police performance

From the President of the Association of Chief Police Officers

Sir, I detect a touch of irony in Howard Davies's report on how the police service should be run, "Fighting Leviathan: Building social markets that work" (details, September 2).

He is director general of the Confederation of British Industry and it is his own members who currently plead, as the police service has done for so long and for so often, for government intervention in their market. Whether it is cutting interest rates or cutting crime rates, we all have to accept that there are no simple, quick fix, low-cost solutions. Policing for profit, whether it is traffic law enforcement or crowd control, does not rest easy with the

majority of the British public. The Audit Commission reports published by Mr Davies when he was controller (leading article, "The police inspected". September 2) were invariably reports of good practice already taking place within the service. To suggest that the police service shows

"all the characteristics of a badly designed system" begs the question, what was it designed for, if not a locally based, flexible and accountable system of policing? Is this not the service the It is disappointing that your leader

skims over the important area of the performance indicators the police service is endeavouring to develop with the Audit Commission. Even in Mr Davies's time, the commission was one of the first to acknowledge what a difficult and complex service this is to measure. Instead you concentrate on a discredited notion that the police are dismissive of emergency calls.

Survey after survey has demonstrated that at the present time over three quarters of the public are highly satisfied with the service we provide. We are working on improving that

Yours faithfully. BRIAN JOHNSON; President. Association of Chief Police Officers. Lancashire Constabulary Headquarters. Hutton, Preston, Lancashire.

Bail hostel fears

From Mrs M. K. Fielder

Sir. I strongly refute the allegations of the director of administration, Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council (report, August 25), that the Greater Manchester Probation Committee has acted in an "underhand and deceitful manner", misleading the local authority as to the intended use of a former hotel in that area as a bail hostel.

The committee provided the planning department of the local authority with detailed information about its proposal on December 17, 1991, and did not proceed with purchase and renovation until it had received a favourable planning determination. That determination, received on February 6, 1992, has recently been reconfirmed by the borough council.

The committee is confident that the anxieties of the local community will prove unfounded when the hostel opens. Experience of managing six other similar posts in the area over the years confirms this belief.

Yours faithfully. M. K. FIELDER (Assistant Chief Probation Officer), Greater Manchester Probation Service. Oakland House, Talbot Road, Manchester 16.

Children's right of entry to UK

From Ms Wendy Avorte and others

Sir. We and 11 other colleagues from concerned organisations have written to the governments of 14 European countries calling on them to urge the UK government to withdraw a reservation to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child.

This reservation exempts the UK from implementing articles pertaining to immigration and nationality. We believe it is incompatible with the purpose of the convention, and that the issue is very relevant to the current situation of children separated from their families in what was Yugoslavia.

The reservation will affect the implementation of several articles, three of which are considered to be essential to the convention.

Article 3 of the convention stipulates that "In all actions concerning children ... the best interests of the child shall be a primary consideration"; yet nowhere does UK immigration law take into account the welfare of children. Without such a welfare principle the interests of children come a poor second to the immigration

Article 2 provides that all the rights in the convention apply to all children: yet children born in the UK to unmarried parents cannot acquire British nationality through the father. Children and families in the Indian subcontinent and the Caribbean applying for family reunion in the UK encounter a host of discriminators rules and practices which keep children separated from their families for long periods or deny family reunion

Contrary to Article 12 on a child's right to be heard, refugee children are treated like adults in the UK refugeedetermination process and are thus denied a proper opportunity to express

their views and wishes. The UK reservation will maintain discriminatory practices which fall heaviest on children from minority communities within the UK. This should no longer be tolerated.

Sincerely, WENDY AYOTTE (Children's Legal Centre), GERISON LANDSDOWNE Children's Rights Development Unit). IAN WHITE (Association of Directors of CLAUDE MORAES (Joint Council for the Welfare of Immigrants). KEN RITCHIE (Refugee Council). ORIOLE GOLDSMITH (Save the Children Fund)... The Children's Legal Centre, 20 Compton Terrace, N1. September 7.

From Mr Ray Mills

Sir. The ingenuity displayed over the years by the England selectors in finding excuses for dumping David Gower (report, September 8) is quite remarkable. The latest, that at 35 he is too old to play against India but six months later he may be young enough to play against Australia, must rate as one of the more ingenious.

Yours faithfully, RAY MILLS. 4 Dane Drive, Cambridge. September 8.

From Mrs Christine Heald

Sir, As I pulled my son's David Gower cricket trousers out of the washing machine, 1 reflected on the endless hours of pleasure one of England's greatest batsmen has given us all over the vears.

Gower's style, elegance and flair are unparalleled. He will outbat the present England selectors — of that I'm sure — and will return to his rightful place in the England side. preferably under a new team of

Yours faithfully, CHRISTINE HEALD, 10 Hitherwood Drive, SE19. September 8.

Fischer match

From Mr Dan E. Mayers

Sir. Referring to your report (September 2) of Bobby Fischer pretending to spit on the official letter threatening him with imprisonment and fines for breaking the sanctions imposed on Serbia, whoever wrote that letter should be congratulated; nothing was more likely to ensure that Fischer would actually go through with the match than these official fulminations against it.

Respectfully yours. DAN E. MAYERS (US Chess Federation). Loth Lorien Arboretum. Wadhurst. East Sussex. September 2.

Black mark for TUC?

From Mr Michael Donley

Sir. I see from today's front-page report that the TUC is attempting to be politically "correct" and avoid such words as "blackleg" and "blacklisted". Why are they meeting in Blackpool?

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL DONLEY, 72d Woodstock Road, Witney, Oxfordshire.



COURT CIRCULAR

Performance Measures.

The Princess of Wales this

morning visited the London

Connection project for young homeless people at 12 Adelaide Street, London WC2.

Mr Patrick Jephson was in

Her Royal Highness, Patron. British Youth Opera, this evening

KENSINGTON PALACE September 8: The Prince of Wales. Colonel-in-Chief, Army Air Corps, this morning received Lieutenant Colonel John Goodsir on relinquishing command of 9 Regi-ment, and Lieutenant Colonel Patrick Lawless on assuming

His Royal Highness gave a unch for Monsieur Jacques Attali (President, European Bank Reconstruction and

Development). The Prince of Wales, President, Business in the Community, this evening received those involved in the publication and launch of the

attended a performance of Carmen at Saddler's Wells Theatre, Rosebery Avenue. London EC1. Mrs Max Pike and Captain Edward Musto, RM. were in

Birthdays today

Mr R.B. Adams, former managing director, Peninsular and Orial Steam Navigation Company. 71: Mr Michael Aldridge, actor. 72: Miss Pauline Baynes, book illustrator, 70; Sir Tom Cowie, company chairman, 70; Mr John Curry, ice skarer, 43; Professor A.T. Florence, dean, London University School of Pharmacy. 52; Sir John Gorton, CH, former Prime Minister of Australia, 81; Mr Robin Hyman, publisher, 61: Sir John Loveridge, former MP.

67; Sir Peter Macadam, former chairman, BAT Industries, 71; Viscount Mackintosh of Halifax, 34: Mr Steve O'Shaughnessy. cricketer, 31; Sir Anthony Parsons, diplomat, 70; the Rev Professor N.W. Porteous, theologian and linguist, 94; Mr James Sabben-Clare, headmaster, Winchester College, 51; Mr Richard Sharpe, rugby player, 54; Countess Spen-cer, 63; Miss Mavis Steele, bowler. 64; Mr Dave Stewart, singer and producer, 40; Dr the Hon Shirley Summerskill, former MP, 61; M Chaim Topol, actor, 57; Miss Margaret Tyzack, actress, 61; Mr Ed Victor, 53; Air Commodore R.H.G. Weighill, 72.



Admiral Lord Nelson, perched high above Trafalgar Square, London, stoically suffering his annual inspection when workmen remove from his trappings of office all trace of his feral friends

Forthcoming marriages

Mr M.O. Chap

Mr M.O. Chapman and Miss J.A. Crowther The engagement is announced between Martin, only son of Mr and Mrs Henry Chapman, of Telford, Shropshire, and Jenny, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Crowther, of Hindley

Mr J.M.I., Collis and Mile L.S.C. Claudel

The engagement is announced between John, son of Mr N. Collis, of Malvern, and Mrs J. Potter, of Dale, Pembrokeshire, and Laurence, daughter of M. P. Claudel, of Vannes, and Mme O. Portal, of Caen, France.

Mr J.B. Cooper and Miss H.M.C. Stapleton The engagement is announced between Benjamin, second son of Mr and Mrs D.B. Cooper, of Lepton, Huddersfield, and Helen, elder daughter of the Dean of Carlisle and Mrs Henry Stapleton.

Mr H.G.M. Grenville and Miss S.C. Andrewes The engagement is announced between Hugo, son of Mr Gerard Morgan-Grenville, of Normandy, France and Mrs Virginia Morgan daughter of Mr and Mrs E.W.E. Andrewes, of Lindridge, Tenbury

Wells, Worrestershire. Mr J.G. Le Couilliard

and Miss C.E. Rickards The engagement is announced between James, son of Dr and Mrs Francis Le Couilliard, of Hindhead, Surrey, and Christine, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Rickards, of Potters Bar.

Mr J.R. Neville and Miss T.A. Davies The engagement is announced between James, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Christopher Neville, of Ivy Hatch, Kent, and Tracey Ann, daughter of Mr and Mrs D. Michael Davies, of Swansea. Mr H. Overgaard Nielsen

and Ms S.R. Bierer The engagement is announced between Henrik, son of the late Mr Poul and Mrs Gerda Overgaard Nielsen, of Copenhagen, and Sharon Ruth, daughter of the late Dr Joshua Bierer, of Hampstead and the late Mrs Dora Dorehill, of Amersham, Buckinghamshire.

Mr S.P. Tyler and Miss S.E. Shaw The engagement is announced between Simon Paul, eldest son of Dr and Mrs Geoffrey Tyler, and Suzy, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Shaw, of Sydney,

Service dinner

Ministry of Defence Group Captain S.B. Burdess and officers of the Ministry of Defence ооп мапа the European Fighter Aircraft held a dinner last night at RAF Bentley Priory. Air Chief Marshal Sir Brendan Jackson, Air Member for Supply ad Organisation, was the principal guest. Among others present were Air Marshal Sir Michael Alcock, Chief of Logistic Support for the RAF, and the National Directors of Engineering of the German, Italian and Span-

Marriages

Mr G.H. Davies

and Miss A.J. Greville The marriage took place on Sunday, August 30, at Market Street Baptist Church, Nantwich, of Mr Gareth Davies, son of the Rev R.I. and Mrs Barbara Davies, of Nantwich, Cheshire, and Miss Alison Greville, daughter of the late Mrs Gillian Greville and of Mr Richard Greville, of Newton Ferrers, Devon. The Rev Robin Davies officiated.

Mr J.C. Denton

and Miss J.E. Vernon The marriage took place at All Saints' Church, Milford-on-Sea, on Saturday, September 5, of Mr Jonathan Denton, son of the late Mr John Denton and of Mrs Denton, of Spaxton, Somerset, to Miss Julia Vernon, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Vernon. The Rev Alastair Dunn officiated and the anthems were sung by Hordle

House choristers.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Emily and Alexander Rhind, Hannah Kaye and Ben Gubbins. Mr Michael Lines was

best man. The reception was at Hordle Reception House and the toast to the bride and groom was given by Sir David Checketts. The honeymoon is

Mr R.E. Pearce

and Miss S.F.J. Nash The marriage took place on Saturday, September 5, at St Mary the Virgin, Burton Latimer, Northamptonshire, of Mr Rupert Pearce to Miss Sarah Nash. The bride, who was given in Miss Sarah Fordy and Harriet Nash. Mr Oliver Pearce was best man.

The reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon is being spent in

Mr J.J. Sice and Miss K.G. Griffin

The marriage took place on September 5, at St Manhew's Church, London, W14, between Jeremy, son of Mr and Mrs Robert Sice, of Fairlawn Drive, Redhill, Surrey, and Katharine, daughter of Mr and Mrs Colin Griffin, of

Mr J.B. Sunley

Royal Over-Seas League Mr Henry Meyric Hughes, Head of Fine Arts at the British Council, presented the prizes at a reception held yesterday at Over-Seas House, St James's, to mark the opening of the 1992 Royal Over-Seas League annual open ex-hibition. Mr Peter McEntee, chairman of the league, received

marriage by her brother, Mr William Nash, was attended by

Station, Truro, Cornwall,

and Mrs F. McMullen The marriage took place on Thursday, August 27, in London, between John Bernard Sunley and Fiona McMullen.

School announcements

takes up his appointment as Senior Master, Mr Ralph Cake as Senior

Housemaster, Mr Kenneth Dur-

ham as Director of Studies, and

Mr Duncan Weir as Housemaster of Layton, Mr Paul Guinness joins

the Common Room as Head of

Geography upon the retirement of Mr Colin Evans. The Captain of

School is James Scott and the Vice

Captain is Harry Bowton. The Captain of Rugby is Alastair Law. Julius Caesar will be performed in

Collyer Hall from November 26-28, and Pirandello's Man, Bease

and Virtue from December 10-12,

The Chamber Choir Tour of Northern France will take place at

half term and the Christmas Choral Concert in St Martin-in-

the Fields on December 12. The

Boat Club dinner is on December 4 and the Rugby Club dinner on

December 10. The Gaudy for Old Boys who left in the 1930s is on

September 26. Any Old Boy who has not received details should

contact the OKC at the School. The

Old Boys' dinner will take place on November 27 at the All-England

Lawn Tennis Club. Term ends

with the Carol Service in Guildford

The Michaelmas Term begins

nday. The new Headmaster, Mr Richard Youdale, will be installed as a member of the Cathedral

Foundation on Sunday. Septem-ber 13. The Scholars' Declaration

and Visitor's Feast will take place on Friday, November 20: the

Preacher at the Service will be the

Dean. The Very Revd Michael Higgins. The Senior School Drama Production Oh, What a

Lovely War will be staged in the Hayward Theatre on December

10, 11 and 12. The Old Elean

Winter Reunion AGM and Din-

ner will be held on Saturday,

Term begins today at Kingston Grammar School with Simon

Burmester as School Captain, and

Naomi Ward Vice Captain. Open Evening will take place on Wednesday. October 14, from

6.30pm. The School Concert will

be on Friday and Saturday, November 13 and 14, and Speech

Day is Friday. November 27, at 8pm. The Old Kingstonian an-

nual dinner will take place at the

Institute of Directors, Pall Mall at

7.30pm on Friday, November 20. An appeal to refurbish the Lovekyn

Chapel will be launched on Tues-

day. October 20, at 7,30pm. The

musical Guys and Dolls will be performed in Hall on December

10, 11 and 12. The Carol Service

will be held on December 17, at

Spm in St Peter's and term ends

ber 10. The Old Leos

day. Oliver Day is Head Boy and Thomas Wigley Captain of Soccer. The Entrance Assessment will take

place on Saturday, November 7. The Junior and Senior Carol Services will be held on Wednes-

Kingston Grammar School

October 17.

Cathedral on December 18.

The King's School, Ely

Chigwell School Michaelmas Term at Chigwell School started yesterday and ends on Tuesday. December 15. The Head of School is James Anderson (Lambourne, and the Captain of Soccer is Ade Adetola (Swallows) The House Music Festival will be held on Thursday, October 22 and the Advent Service at St Mary's Church is on Sunday, December 13. The School will hold an Open Meeting for parents of prospective pupils on Saturday, October 10. and an Open Meeting for parents of prospective Sixth Formers on Tuesday, October 13. Further information may be obtained from the Headmaster's Secretary.

Chareher's College, Peterslield Michaelmas Term begins on Wednesday, September 9. Caroline Pollington and Ben Harper are Captains of College. Speech October 23, when Colonel T. Moorby will be the guest speaker. Half-term is from October 24 to November 1 and the Old Churcherians Club Dinner will be held on November 28, following the OCC v 1st XV Rugby Match Term ends on December 17, after the Carol Service at St Peter's

City of London School for Girls mn Term begins today. Annie Hunningher is Head Girl and Zoe Woolfson Deputy Head Girl. Open days for parents of prospec-tive pupils are on Tuesday. October 6 and Wednesday, November 18. An evening for those interested in joining our Sixth Form will be held on Wednesday, October 14. Further details are available from the school. The CLOGA Wine and Cheese Evening is on Thursday, September 17 and the Friends of CLSG will hold their AGM on Monday, October 5. Prize Day is on Friday. October 23, in the Barbican Hall. Term ends on Wednesday, December 16, after a Carol Service in St Giles Church. Cripplegate. Many new features, including the new Sixth Form Centre, Lecture Theatre and redesigned Dining Room are now in use as our development pro-

gramme proceeds. Edgbaston Church of England College for Girls The Michaelmas Term for the Edgbaston Church of England College, Birmingham begins today and ends on Thursday, December 17. Speech Day will be held in the Great Hall of the University of Birmingham on Friday, October 2. The Guest of Honour will be the Baroness Denton of Wakefield, CBE.

Edgehill College, Bideford.

Devon Term begins today. The Head Girl on Friday, December 18. Leeds Grammar School is Lucy Nash, with Rachel Michaelmas Term commences on September 9, with David Gait as Loosemore and Louisa Youldon as her Deputies. There will be an Open Day for prospective pupils Head of School and Phillip Tate as his Deputy. Peter Dunn has re-tired as Third Master, Peter Gait and their parents on Saturday. October 17. Prize Day is on has become Director of Dev-Friday, October 23 when the guest elopment and is succeeded as Head of Junior School by John of honour will be Wing Com-mander E.M. Stuart, BSc. of the WRAF. The College production of Davies. Open Morning urday. October 10: Speech Day is Hiawatha will be on November 12, 13 and 14 and the Sixth Form dinner will be on Friday, October Scholarship Examination on 9, in Leeds and Friday, March 5. Monday, November 23. Term ends on Friday, December 11 with in London. Moulsford Preparatory School The Autumn Term begins at Moulsford Preparatory School to-

the Carol Service at 2.15pm. King's College School, Wimbledon Autumn Term begins today at King's College School, Mr Peter

Kirman retired in July and is succeeded as Second Master by Mr Andrew Lang. Mr John Evans

day, December 16 and rerm ends

North London Collegiate School Term begins today. There are 918 pupils in school with 213 in the sixth form. Work on the new swimming pool is in progress and should be completed in the spring. Old North Londoners who were at school in the 1970s are invited to lunch on Saturday, September 19 Other Old North Londoners are invited for the afternoon when there are School versus Old North Londoner matches and the grounds and buildings are open for families to view before tea. Tickets for both events from Cheryl Pack, telephone: 081 449 8449

Prior's Field School Term starts today, Aulia Khan is Head Girl and Vanessa Whicker is Deputy. Term ends with the Circl Service in Charterhouse Chapel at 2.00pm on December 9, followed by a Christmas Fair at School Old Girls Day will be on Saturday, May 8, Applications for Sixth Form entry and Scholarships for 1993 should be addressed to the Registrar, before the end of

Royal Grammar School. Guildford Michaelmas term at the Royal Grammar School, Guildford begins today and ends on December 16. The School Captain is David Harris; Daniel McCrohan is Captain of Rugby. Speech Day is on September 25: the Right Hon Lord Prior. PC. will be the guest of honour. The Junior Prizegiving will be on October 9, the Guildford Sinfonia concert on December S. the Oxford OG Dinner at Merton on November 13 and the Past v Present rugby match at Bradstone Brook on December 19.

The Royal School, Bath Autumn Term begins today, and will end after the final Carol Service on Sunday. December 13. Mr Peter Foremela-Osborne has taken up his post as Finance Director. Polly Oshorn is Head of School and Karen Kirby Deputy Head. The Royal School Associ-ation will hold its Annual Reunion at the School on Saturday, September 19, when the water garden in memory of Miss Harding will be opened. The Headmistress will be visiting parents in Hong Kong from October 10-13. Senior Prize

Giving will take place in the Theatre Royal, Bath, on Friday, October 23. St David's School for Girls. Ashford Middlesex

Autumn Term begins today and ends on December 16. Half-term will be October 23 to November 2. The Sixth Form Consortium with Halliford Boys' School enters its seventh year. Congratulations to Head Girls Sara Luxford-Watts and Caroline Marley. Speech Day will be on Thursday. November 12, when the guest speaker will be Mrs Anne Sebba.

St Edward's School, Oxford Term has begun. Mr C.F. Baggs takes over as Housemaster in Corle House and Mr J.H.W. Quick as Housemaster in Apsley. Michael of School. On October 10 the School will commemorate the centenary of the death of its founder. Thomas Chamberlain. There will be a performance of Puccini's Messa di Gloria on November 14. Commemoration Concert will take place on November 28 and the Carol Services on December 6. The School Play is Richard II by William Shakespeare and will be

5. On October 5 there will be a preparamere performance of Washening Heights to which OSE and friends of the School are invited. Fickets are available from the School The Scholarship examination and general assessment for Lower Sixth girl and how entry takes place at the School on

November 6 and 7. Ferm ends on December 12. Sains Fellx School Southwold The Autumn Term beauts axiav. with Sarah Clark and Victoria leimer is Joint Heads of School Sixth Form Scholarship Examina-turns will be held on Oember 12.

The OF Annual Lancheon will be held in Cambridge on October 17. There will be a "1993 Registrants" Weekend from November 6-8 (details from The Registrar). The School Play, The Importance of Being Earnest will be performed on November 26, 27 and 28 and the Junior Drama Pley Much Ado About What You Will on Decemher 11 and 12. The Carol Services will be held on Wednesday. December 16 and term ends on December 17.

Stoneyhurst College Christmas Term commences today with the Ascensio Scholarum and Mass for the Dedication of Studies Oliver Wraight is Head of the Line and Richard Joseph is Second Head. Lower Grammar Parents' Weekend is October 3 and 4 and the Half Term Break is October 17 to 25. Grammar Parents' Week-end is November 21 and 22. December 1 is the Feast of St Edmund Campion SI and the Carol Service is December 13.

Truro School Michaelmas Term at Truro School begins today and Mr J R. Heath succeeds Professor J.C. Dancy as Chairman of the Governors. It is with regret the school announces the early retirement through ill-health of Mr B.K. Hobbs, the Headmaster, Mr B. Jackson is Acting Headmaster pending a new appointment. Mr J.D. Scott is Head of English following the retirement of Mr W.E. Weeks.

Half-term is from October 24 to November 1, the Carol Service is December 13 and term ends December 17. Warminster School
The Michaelmas Term begins today and will end with the Carol Service on December 17. Mr Philip Capes takes up his appointment as Second Master, and Mrs Mary Henderson joins the staff to teach Modern Languages. Leigh Austin and Helen Beadman are Heads of School. A sponsored marathon walk, on the theme of Children for Children", will be held on September 17, and OV Day and AGM will be held on Saturday, September 19, 1992. Westminster Abbey Choir School Full term started on September 7.

The Head Chorister is Alastair Brookshaw, the Second Chorister is Simon de Baat and the Head of School is Thomas Balkwill. The new foundation choristers are: Christian Wilson, Richard Silver, Stephen Brasier, Thomas Sneddon, Peter Castle and Alexan-Choir will leave for a three-week tour of America, finishing at Lincoln Center on October 11. The Howells Centenary Concert will be on November 17 and the Christmas Concert with the Brandenburg Conson will be on December 10. The next voice trial will be on October 21 with a further one in Spring 1993. The Headmaster welcomes enquiries from parents

Telephone 071 481 4000

ANNOUNCEMENTS

But Saul went from strength to strength, and confounded the Jews of Damascus with his copeni proofs that Jesus was the Messiah. Acts of the Apostles 9:22REB

ADDISON - On August 23rd. to Catherine (née Woolgar) and Daniel, a son, Frederick John Mervyn. BENDIT On September 5th at St. Thomas' Hospital. to Frances tnee Roomet and Paul. a son. Charles John Douglas, a brother for Frederica.

BIDDLECOMBE - On September 1st, at Musgrove Park Hospilai, Taunton, 10 Monika inde Jung) and Richard. a son, Sebastian, a brother for Kirk, Robin and Glenda.

BROTHERTON-RATCLIFFE - On Salurday Seplember 5th 1992, to Thalla and Anthony, a son. BULLARD - On September 7th to Amanda and Sam a still born baby. Please no letters.

CARTER - On September 4th, to Louise mée Lomax) and Charles, a son. George. CAVE - On September 2nd. in Exeter to Julianne mee Wedlakel and Adrian, a second son Alexander Peter. COWAN - On September 2nd 1992. to Andrew and Flona

DAVIES - On September 2nd 1992, to Sarah mée Arkle) and Philip, a daughter, Georgia Deryn. GILBERT - On 2nd Septemb

HACKETT - On Seplember 6th. Sunday, to Philippa (née Good) and Richard, a daugh-ter, Georgina Rose Molya. HADDEN-PATÓN - On September 6th, to Bumble thée Mellor) and Nigel, 8

HERNANDEZ - On September 5th in Salamança, Spain, to Catherine (née Çabriel) and

MIANSAROW - On August 31st 1992 at the Lindo wing SLMary's Paddington to Nick and Juttet a daughter Georgia Katya a sister for Max. MOSELEY - On September 5rd 1992, to Kathryn (Née McLean) and Dominic, a daughter, Charlotte Elizabeth

OLIVER - On August 21st 1992 in Parts to Gwenola mée Féray) and Carry, a son Donovan Richard Ermys. PECOVER On September 5th. to Lucy (nee Mellor) and

PEPLOW - On September 2nd 1992. to Elizabeth (nee Tonkin) and Andrew, a son Gregory Charles, a brother for Alexander. for Alexander.

PORTER - On September 6th 1992, to Sara (Née Welchman) and Gregory, a son. William.

RIDER - On September 7th, in Bombay to Suzeti (née D'Souzal and Ben. a son. Joshua Francis.

ROBERTS - On August 27th to Heity (née Manty) and Patrick, a daughter, Arabella Charlotte, a sister for Phoebe.

ROUACH - On August 30th to Ruth (nee Markovitz) and Albert, a son, Stefan Marc, a brother for Charlotte and Alexander.

Alexander.

TAPNER - On September 6th, to Alex (nèe Boidero) and Rory, a daughter, Anna Violet, a sister for Freddle

TAYLOR-SMITH - On August 24th to Sylvia unée Niekrasz) and kim, a second son. Bertle, a brother for Max.

WEISZ - On September 7th, at the Humana Hospital Weilington, to Donna and Peter. a daughter. Shayma Rivka.

WHEELER - On September 7th, at the Portland Hospital to Lee and David, a daughter. Emma Campbell, a sister for Petrin and Oliver.

MARRIAGES

CAMPBELL-DOUGLAS - On September 5th. : Westminster Cathedra Colin Dougles Campbell so of Peggy and the late Samuel Campbell of Edinburgh to Mary Douglas only daughter of Jack and Molly Douglas of Stratford Upon Avon.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES

SHAW - Muriel and Jim. Many congratulations with love from all the family. DEATHS

ALLISON - On Friday
September 4th, Archibald,
peacefully after a short
tilness at Kirkcudbright
Cottage Hospital, Formeriy
senior geologist with BP in
London. Funeral at
Clydebank Crematorium,
Thursday September 10th at
2.30 pm.
ANDERSON - On September
5th 1992. Dr. G. Fraser, late
R.A.M.C. Suddenly at Royal
Infirmary Edinburgh
Service at Mortonhali
Crematorium Main Chapel
on Wednesday September

Irlends are invited.

BULL - On September 7th at home after a long tilices. Hon. Judith Bull D.L. younger daughter of The 2nd Lord Cranworth. Funeral Service at St. Mary's Church. Crundisburgh on Monday September 14th at 1.30 pm. Family flowers only please.

CRAWLEY - On September
7th 1992. Vera Agnes widow
of Leelle and beloved mother
of Heather. Rosemary and
Verunica, dearvest grandmother of Kate. Henry.
Lucy. Sophie and Edward.
The funeral service will take
place at Guildford Crematorium on Friday September
11th at 4.00pm. All enquiries
to Pinnm's Funeral Services.
Tel: 0483 67394.

FIELDSEND - On August 28th 1992, whilst exploring in Australia. Patrick Fieldsend aged 27 was lost to his family and Iriends. Thanksgiving service for Patrick's life will be held on Salurday 12th September at 2.30 pm at the Didsbury Methodist Church. Wilmslow Rd. Manchester. Donations preferred to the RNLI & the British Heart Foundation.

FREDERICKS - On September
4th. 1992. Peacefully in
hospital. Dor's, aged 87.
beloved wife of the late
William mother of Brian,
sadly missed grandmother,
and great-grandmother,
Fumeral servive at Hoty
Trinity Church, Northwood
on Friday 18th September at
12 noon, followed by
Interment at Northwood
Cemetery, "Always in our
thoughis", Flowers to E
Spark Ltd, 104 Pinner Road,
Northwood. Tel: 0923
825572

GOLLOP - On September 7th, peacefully at home. Pairicla Frances, beloved wife of Frank, dearly loved Mother of Neomi and Mark and lov-ing Grandmother of Philippa and Christopher. Funeral Service on September 1 1th at 10.15m. at West Heris

DEATHS

GRAHAM-CAMPBELL - On September 7th. Joan (née MacLean), dearest wife of David, mother and grand-mother. After a long illness courageously borne. Private cremation followed by a Thanksgiving in St. John's Episcopal Church, Princes Street, Perit, at 5 pm. Monday 14th September. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to SGPCC, Rosslyn House, Clasgow Road. Perih.

GWYNN - On September 7th 1992, peacefully at her home in Penzance, Phyllis Gentrude unde Peart) M.B.E. Military) lake acting Junior Commander Ack. Ack Command ATS. Dearly loved wife of Alfred, loving mother of William, Helen and Alex and loving grand-mother of Hugo, Xander. Tom and Lee, Pumeral Service at Penmount Crematorium Truro on Friday September 11th at 10.40am. Family flowers only but donations if so desired for 'Penzance MIND' may be sent to R.D. Burroughs 10 Peverell Road.

HARTLEY - On September
6th, Brighte, aged 30. artist
and animator at home in
Weston-super-Mare after a
long filness. Much beloved
daughter of David and
Wendy and sister of Alice
and Stephen and granddaughter of Olga. Enquiries
to Cooksley and Son, telephone O934 626666.

HASZLAKIEWICZ - On

phone 0934 626666.

HASZLAKIEWICZ - On September 6th. Elspeth, widow of Janusz and mother of Christina and Mark. Funeral Service at Fisherton Parish Church on Thursday September 10th at 2.50 pm. HOLT - On September 6th 1992. peacefully at home. Noal Edward sped 62 years. Private Ameral. Service of Thanksgiving to be announced later. No flowers please, but donations in his memory to The lain Remal Hospice at Home, 63 Burkes Road, Beaconsfield, Bucks. HP9 1PW.

HUGHES - On September 4th.

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HUGHES - On September 4th, peacefully in hospital, Enid Maria, aged 91, of Penarth, South Glamorgan and formerly of Le Rosey, Rolle, Switzerland, Beloved wife of the late Cyril Hughes, Funeral Service at St. Augustine's, Penarth on Friday September 11th at 12.45 pm followed by private cremation. Flowers may be sent (70 James Summers, Funeral Directors, Lavernock Court, Penarth or donations, if desired, to Heip the Aged.

HUXLEY - On September 6th,

consulors, if desired, to Help the Aged.

MUXLEY - On September 6th, David Bruce aged 76, very suddenly and peacefully in his steep at home. Beloved husband of Ouide, Jather of Angela. Michael, Frederica. Virginia and Elizabeth, Crandfather and Creat Grandfather. Funeral St Mary's Church. Wansford at 2.30pm September 14th, family flowers only, donations if desired to British Heart Foundation, C/O Mr C Allesby. National Westminster Bank. 210 Lincoln Rd. Peterborough, IKIN. On September 7th

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JOHNS - On September 6th
1992. peacefully at Denville
Hall. Mervyn David, aged 93
years. Beloved husband of
Diana and adored father of
Glynis. Funeral Service at
Holy Trinity Church,
Northwood on Wednesday
September 16th at 2.45 pm.
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LYSTER - On September 6th.
peacefully. George Francis
Marsh (Michael) aged 90.
Loved father of Tony and
Ann. Funeral on Friday
September 11th at 10 am at
Putney Vale Crematorium.
Flowers to Frederick W.
Paine Funeral Directions. 265
Ewell Rd. Surbiton. Surrey.
Tel: 081-399 2060.

friend. Thanksgiving service. St. Mary The Bollons. SW10. Thursday September 17th. 2.30 pm. Donations if desired to Marte Curie Cancer Care. 28 Beigrave Square SW1. MODET On September 4th in Biarritz. John Anthony, loving Uncle of Alisa and Paul. Greatly missed by his family and friends. R.J.P. Funeral in France 10th September. Memorial Service in London later.

PETO - On September 5th
1992 in Ireland, Barbara,
wife of the late Str.
Christopher Peto Bart.
Funeral Service on Friday
September 11th at the
Church of St.Nicholas.
Chaddington, Oxfordshire at
11.30 am followed by privale burtal at Clifton.

SEVILLE - On September 4th, peacefully al home in Bishopstone, Joyce Lillan, much loved Wife, Molten and Nanna, Service at Eastbourne Crematorium. on Tuesday September 18th, at 2.30pm. Flowers to home. 2.30pm. Flowers to home.

3 SIBCY On Sunday Soptomber 6th 1992, very peacefully at her sister's home in Kiddorminstor. Rachel aged 44. Mother of James and Emma and youngest daughter of Bob and People Goodman of Bromsgrove. Cremalion service for family, A service of thanksgiving will be held on October 17th at 12 moon at Omberstey Parish Church. Donations if desired to imperial Cancer Research Fund, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London WC2 or to Kemp Home Hospice, 58 Sutton Park Road, Kidderminster.

DEATHS LEE - On September 3rd.
Essie. widow of the late
Alwyn Lee, peacefully at her
home in London. Funeral
Service at the Gunnersbury
Cametery at 11.30 am on
Tuesday September 15th.
Flowers and enquiries to J.H.
Kenyon. 83 Westbourne
Grove. London w2 4UL.
Tel:071-229 3810.
LYSTER - On September 6th.
peacefully. George Francis
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Loved father of Tony and

SUTTON - On September 6th 1992. Prof John Sutton F.R.S.. Emeritus Professor of Geology. Imperial College. Dearty loved husband of Betty and adored by stepson James and all the rest of the family. All triends welcome to St. Martin's Church. Martinstown in Dorchester. Dorset. on Tuesday September 15th at 2.30pm. A Memorial service will be held at a later date in London. Please give generously to Hepsabolitary Research Fund C/O Dr Nigel Hackine. Radiology Dept.. Southampton General Hospital. Tremona Road. Solom. SO9 4XY. Whose team enabled John to lead a splendidly natural life for almost a further year with terminal cancer. Plowers if wished and enquiries to Grassby F/S. 16 Princes Street. Dorchesier. Dorset. Tel: (0306) 262338.

THUBRON - On September 6th, peacefully at home, Gerald Thubron. Brigadler. DSO. OBE. The Staffordshire Regiment. Deeply loved and cherished husband of Eve, and beloved father of Colin and Sarah. Private funeral. No flowers please, but donations, if wished, to Friends of Fletching Church. The Vicarage, East Sussex.

DEATHS YOUNG - On September 6th.
1992, peacefully in SI.
John's Hospire. Nicholas.
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Tony, devoted father of Zoe
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Ashtead All his friends will be most welcome.

KEDOURIE - Elle. Thursday September 24th at 6.30pm.
Bevis Maries Synagogue ECS
SKINNER - A Memorial Service for Major General Michael Timothy Skinner CB. will be held at 3.16 pm on Saturday September 25th at Rochester Cathedral. Kenl.

IN MEMORIAM — PRIVATE

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WILSON - A Service of Thanksgiving for the life and work of John Wilson will be held in Charterhouse Chapet. Godalming. on Saturday October 5rd at 3 pm. All who knew him. personally or through his work. are warmly invited.

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P Bernard Herrington, R.Com.
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LIFE & TIMES SECTION - PAGE 9 WORD WATCHING

(c) Having rague, wrinkled, wrinkly, from the Latin ragu a wrinkle: "Either part is ragate or pseudo-

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MOONWORT

(c) The fern Botrychium Lunaria, from the medieval name of imary: Horse, that trend upon moonwort with their bellow heels, though lately shod, at night

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RABY - On September 5th 1992, suddenty at home in Serk, Kenneth Francts Raby M.A., F.I.E.E., aged 67 years. Much loved husband of Margaret and father of Pauline. Nigel. Jamet and Angus and a loving grandfalher. Family flowers only please. Donations, if only please. Donations, if desired, to St Peler's Church. Sark. Channel Islands.

TRACEY - On September 8th 1992, peacefully at his home, Cottage Hill Augher, County Tyrone, Northern ireland, Frederick Christopher (i.i. Col) Husband of the late Barbara Tracey, dear Falher of David, Sally Beglev and the late Antony Tracey, Father in law of Dephine, Mary, George and Granditather of Kerry, Flona, Kata, Josnna, Rollo and Tracey, Family flowers only, donations in lieu to the Marie Curio Nursing Service, Beaconsfield, Kensington rd. Belfast.

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(b) Pertaining to the flock, the sheep, the multitude, from the Latin grex, gregis a flock of sheep: "Caractacus was brought to Rome amongst other gregal captives."

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OBITUARIES

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David Thomas Lewis, CB, the Government Chemist, 1960-70, has died aged 83. He was born on March 17, 1909.

DAVID Lewis belonged to the team of scientists whose top secret research after the second world war led to the development of Britain's first atomic and hydrogen bombs. He was one of the small select group assembled by the late William (later Lord) Penney, at the High Explosive Research centre at Woolwich Arsenal in the late 1940s, before moving to the new Atomic Weapons Research Establishment (AWRE) at Aldermaston in the early 1950s. Lewis learned to drive on the disused runway at Aldermaston while the plant, designed to house fissile materials, was going up around him on an old airfield.

Beginning as a principal scientific officer, he rose to become senior superintendent of AWRE's chemistry division, responsible for the materials which went inside the first nuclear weapons. The chemistry of plutonium and the required specifications were among the subjects which once involved him.

He was present for the first test of a nuclear device, placed in an old frigate off the west coast of Australia 40 years ago next month, as part of what was codenamed "Operation Hurricane". Then, later in the same decade, he was at Christmas Island in the Pacific for the first trials of a thermonuclear device, the so-called

Lewis first became involved in defence work during the war when he worked as a "back room boy" at the Ministry of Supply's Armaments Research Establishment, first in Woolwich then in Wales. In 1945,

DAVID LEWIS



given the honorary rank of captain, he was posted to one of the inspection teams which toured the old Wehrmacht munitions dumps in

After 20 years dealing with arma-ments, however, he left Aldermaston in 1960 for something completely different — as the Government Chemist. The post was created 150 years ago this year to investigate the adulteration of tobacco, after it was realised that the British were smoking more of it than they were actually

By David Lewis's time, however, it had accumulated a wide range of responsibilities for research and anal-

ysis of chemicals used in industry and the safety standards appropriate to food and drink. Shortly after he joined the government laboratory he chaired a seminal committee of the Agricultural Research Council tasked with determining trace elements of DDT and other fungicides used by farmers and horticulturalists. He was among those to issue the first warnings to British housewives and pregnant women to wash or peel

fresh fruit and vegetables. His decade as Government Chemist also saw a huge expansion in the use of physical instrumentation for chemical analysis. The development led him to predict a similar growth in medicine, with machines playing an increasing role in diagnostics.

A brilliant chemist, he was the son of a Welsh miner, Emmanuel Lewis, and went to Brynmawr County School and the University College of Wales, Aberystwyth. He took a firstclass degree in chemistry in 1930, following this three years later with his PhD.

After leaving college he raught for four years at Quakers' Yard secondary school in South Wales, then lectured at University College, Cardiff until the outbreak of war. He was awarded his doctorate of science while working at Aldermaston in

On retirement from the government laboratory, "DT" (he was sometimes known by his initials) was made an honorary professorial fellow at Aberystwyth, where he returned to lecture from time to time. He gave the Dawes Memorial Lecture in 1965, was made a scientific governor of the British Nutrition Foundation in 1967 and served as a member of the British National Committee for Chemistry (Royal Society), 1961-70, and the British Pharmacopoeia Commission, 1963-73.

His pursuits ranged far and wide beyond his discipline and entered some surprising areas for a chemist. His years at Aldermaston encouraged an interest in particle science, resulting in his book Ultimate Particles of Matter which was published in 1959.

He even discovered two sub-atomic particles on his own, which he christened endearingly in Welsh "Tamaid" and "Bach", meaning respectively "morsel" and "small" His "babies" are still the subject of research, though the Welsh names have sadly been lost.

Still more unusually he displayed his Celtic influences by producing a volume of romantic poetry in 1964 called Mountain Harvest, amid a number of scientific papers in learned iournals.

He was a big man in all senses of the phrase. Weighing 17 stone, he had played rugby for his college as a young man, turning to shooting and trout fishing when he was older. A cricket cup bearing his name at the government laboratory reflects his enthusiasm and popularity. On his 40th birthday he warned his close friends he would have to slow down. But on his 80th he found himself telling them the same thing.

He missed out on the knighthood he had been led to expect because the Wilson government resolved to cut down on civil service honours at the wrong time for him. But, if this worried him, he did not show it. He cared little for social advancement or for titles and was happiest with his family at home.

David Lewis is survived by his second wife Mary and by the daughter of a previous marriage.

RICHARD BURNS

Richard Burns, novelist, died, apparently having hanged himself, on August 31, in Sheffield, aged 33. He was born in the city on September 1, 1958.

THINGS were never easy for Richard Burns, nor did he ever try to make them so. He would not compromise, and thus perhaps in the end made himself ill - too ill to recognise that he had in all probability turned the corner. Yet his accomplished prose gave little hint of the turmoil that went on within him, and which eventually led to his death. He established himself in

1986 with A Dance for the Moon, than which he wrote nothing better, and which remains one of the best novels about the effects of the first world war upon its most sensitive participants. In it he showed a remarkable grasp, aided by much painstaking and sympathetic research, of the way such poets as Siegfried Sassoon, Robert Graves, Ivor Gurney and others felt, both as writers and as victims of months, and even years, of continuous violence. It does not read at all like the work of a troubled, even desperate mind, although there is much of trouble and desperation -

as well as of compassion - in it. This, rather ironically, considering his view of literary prizes, won Burns a prize in the Jonathan Cape First Novel competition, and he was from thenceforth marked out, by reviewers and by the press, for first-class honours. But he was not marked out

for huge advances on his royalties, which were undeservedly scant. Yet it never seriously occurred to him to change his style in order to become a writer for the mass market. True, he did try unsuccessfully — to make money from a thriller, Why Diamond had to Die (1989). But it fell uneasily between two stools, being on the one hand a potboiler and on the other the embryo of a serious comic novel. That sort of contradiction was his creative life-blood.

He became obsessed with the notion of conspiracies of well-fed but inferior writers deliberately doing down gifted ones. On occasion he could become monotonous when enlarging on this theme and

his own capacities. But any immodesty was only the romantic bombast of genuine financial despair. Burns could be a generous and discerning critic of other people's work. when he genuinely admired it. The help he received from the Royal Literary Fund - those grants Joseph Conrad called "miracles" — may well have enabled him to complete what, when it is published tomorrow, will be his final book, Sandro and Simonetta,

ungraciously immodest about

a novel about Botticelli. Richard Burns published two other novels. The Panda Hunt (1987), set in China, displayed his flair for research and his eye for significant



detail. Fond and Foolish Lovers (1990) was more experimental, promising more than. in the event, it could perform. For all its brilliant passages, it showed some signs of mental strain at crucial points. But the prose remained, on the whole, smooth and accomplished.

When he died Richard Burns was not only on the threshold of his 35th year and within a few days of the publication of his fifth book. He was soon to take up an appointment as head of creative writing at Lancaster University. Alas, cumulative stress and disappointment had proved too overwhelming. Yet there is little doubt that he would have succeeded, both in maintaining his literary integrity and in making a living. A Dance for the Moon alone has the status of a minor classic.

CHRISTOPHER TRACE

Christopher Trace, presenter of BBC's Blue Peter, died of cancer in the Royal London Hospital, Whitechapel, on September 5 aged 59. He was born on March 21, 1933.

CHRISTOPHER Trace was the television favourite of a generation of children in the 1960s. Many of them learned with faltering fingers to make their first toy models from discarded shoe boxes, egg cartons and cardboard toilet roll tubes, guided by genial Unde Chris on BBC TV's popular Blue Peter. His gentle good humour proved an instant success with children who had grown too old for Watch With Mother and were looking for more mature entertainment. Christopher Trace was co-presenter when Blue Peter was launched in October,

At the time he was a tall. handsome 25-year-old bitpart actor, not very ambitious. whose one claim to fame was having worked as a double for Charlton Heston in the chariot epic film Ben Hur. He had been educated at a public school in Surrey, before going on to Sandhurst. But after seven years in the army he appearing briefly on screen in The Vikings (1958) and a British remake of The Hound of the Baskervilles.

He landed the Blue Peter presenter's job against keen opposition. It was said that he was selected because he shared a passion for model electric railways with the programme's original producer, John Hunter Blair, a bookish bachelor, who kept a working track layout in his office. Biddy Baxter, Hunter Blair's successor, noted: "He (Trace) spent his entire interview playing

trains with John." Christopher Trace, who was to remain with the programme for nine years pre-



senting more than 500 shows, saw Blue Peter's early development go through a rocky period. Indeed without his own enormous popularity the show could well have foundered. Hunter Blair became ill and a number of fill-in producers were recruited with mixed results. One became so harassed that he released Trace's co-presenter, the beautiful Leila Williams (Miss Great Britain 1957), because he was unable to think of

anything for her to do. This left Trace holding the fort on his own in a show that was starved of money, the budget being at the time £180 a programme. While his model-making and relaxed gameplaying kept the young audience loyally watching dur-ing this difficult period, the new producer Biddy Baxter was able to win more support for the show from the BBC hierarchy. Valerie Singleton teamed up with Trace in 1962. He had long discarded

his early formal suits in favour of casual wear and by now there were enough funds available for him to depend a little less on his handicrafts. The programme was able to expand with the pair being sent out and about on archaeological digs, air balloon flights and days at the coast, accompanied by the Blue Peter pet dog Petra, who attained individual fame.

In 1967 Trace and Singleton were joined by a third presenter, the energetic John Noakes, who rapidly built a huge following of his own. Producer Biddy Baxter was of the opinion that Trace resented Noakes's success and that this was one of the chief reasons for him quitting Blue Peter. However, there was certainly another. Trace besmirched his Unde Chris image by having an affair with a teenage Norwegian girl he met while on a Blue Peter assignment. This led to the break-up of his marriage.

After leaving Blue Peter he worked for seven years in Norwich with the BBC Nationwide programme. Sadly, from then on his career went rapidly downhill. He left the screen and took odd jobs as a handyman and later worked as a barman. He always claimed that a long-standing back injury was the result of falling while leaping in and out of car tyres piled high when demonstrating a Japanese game on Blue Peter.

At a bankruptcy hearing in 1973 Trace disclosed debts of more than £16,000. Towards the end he was living alone in a two-bedroom flat in Walthamstow, East London, his only income deriving from national assistance. Two days before he died he

was reminiscing about the old days with his former Blue Peter. co-presenter, Valerie Singleton.

Christopher Trace was twice married; he had a son and daughter.

GEN JAMES ALLEN

James Rodgers Allen, former Chief of Staff at Nato Military Headquarters in Europe. and the man who organised the abortive raid to rescue American prisoners from North Victnam in 1970, died in Maryland on August 1 I aged 66. He was born on November 17, 1925.

AS A man of action who had flown more than 100 combat missions as a fighter pilot in the Korean War, James Allen was the right man to be found at a desk in the Pentagon when reconnaissance aircraft brought news that a group of American Pows had been spotted at Son Tay, 20 miles north west of Hanoi.

Photographs showed that the men had trampled out the dirt in their prison compound to make the letter "K", the recognised code signal for "come and get us". Allen, who was serving at the time as deputy director for air force plans and policy, resolved that he would try and do so. His initial plan was to

infiltrate agents into the area who would mark out a landing area for a special forces rescue team, operating from a CIA station on the borders of northern Laos. The team would then attempt to extricate those prisoners who left the compound to work in the surrounding countryside. It soon became doubtful, however, that many of the prisoners were fit enough for work. Most American prisoners were held in the "Hanoi Hilton" and intelligence experts believed that those taken to Son Tay had been badly tortured, and had been removed to avoid their being seen by delegations of peace activists. A more ambitious scheme now seemed

With the approval of President Nixon, Allen constructed a model of the prison camp in Florida and supervised end-

less practice runs. The special forces eventually launched their raid in November 1970, but by then it was too late. Although they reached the camp successfully, they found it empty: the prisoners had been transferred elsewhere.

The raid was widely condemned as a violation of North Vietnamese territory by the anti-war movement, but the prisoners themselves expressed their gratitude when they finally returned home. Conditions in the camps, they said, had vastly improved after the North Vietnamese realised the lengths the Americans were prepared to go to in order to rescue their comrades. They presented Allen with a painting of themselves waiting for a helicopter, with the inscription "thanks for trying".

James Allen was commissioned from the US Military Academy at West Point, but transferred to the USAF shortly afterwards and entered pilot training. He had no sooner got his wings than the Korean conflict broke out, and Allen volunteered for the "Dallas" squadron which flew P-51 Mustangs in support of the South Korean air force. During the early stages of the Vietnam War, before being reduced to flying a desk, he piloted F4-C Phantom jets as

deputy commander of the 12th Tactical Fighter Wing. Allen went on to hold a number of administrative positions with Strategic Air Command, eventually becoming chief of staff. In 1977 he was invited by General Alexander Haig, then Supreme Allied Commander, Europe, to become chief of staff at his Mons headquarters. The move brought promotion to fourstar general, and two years later Allen was promoted to the post of Deputy C-in-C, US European Command. His last assignment before his retirement in 1983 was as C-in-C Military Airlift Command. He is survived by his wife,

James Crockett James (Jimmy) Irvine Crockett, MBE, MC, who has died aged 78, began his distinguished career in property consultancy in London in 1937 when he qualified as an associate of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors.

He joined the Territorial Army in 1938 and served for six years with the Royal Artillery in Africa and Italy where, as a captain, he was awarded the Military Cross.

He moved to Australia with his family in 1956 and found-

ed a professional practice in Melbourne which, two years later, formed one of the cornerstones in the international expansion of Jones Lang Wootton.

A life-long member of the scouting movement, he became district commissioner for Moorabbin, Victoria, and later served on the Victorian Council and the Citizens Advice Bureau.

James Crockett was appointed MBE in 1982 for services to his profession, the scouting movement and to the

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never have been adopted, a

That the London & South-Western Railway changed its rules speaks well for the influence of the paper's letter column. Well into the twentieth century women had to find a penny in public conveniences.

A WOMAN'S COMPLAINT

To the Editor of The Times

Sir, - I willingly add my testimony to that of others having suffered agonies from the slot system. After a train has not stopped for an hour or two you arrive at the door of the ladies waiting-room and find you have only halfpence and silver in your possession. Whilst you are trying to get change from the flurried attendant the whistle of your train sounds, and you must either lose it or suffer frightfully for another hour or two. I have also to mention that if a bag or umbrella is left behind in the hurry you must pay another penny to get it — at least so I was informed at one of the stations by the woman, who said each time the door was opened a penny had to be paid by herself if not by you. I have long felt this system to be "cruelty to animals" in ways which cannot be expressed in a public paper.

Yours faithfully. ONE WHO HAS SUFFERED MUCH.

Though the subject is one which must be discussed with reserve. we need offer no apology for commenting on the corres-pondence headed "A Woman's Complaint which has laterly been appearing in our columns. "A Woman's Complaint" is simply this. Many railway companies are applying the penny slot system to the conveniences provided in retiring rooms for women at their stations. As a result of this ingenious device, which, if women were allowed to serve as railway directors would

woman passenger may be com-pelled to endure great suffering, and possibly to incur permanent injury, in circumstances which must constantly arise, she happens to have no penny in her purse. It is more or less an injustice that, even where the penny slot torture has not been introduced, a woman passenger should be unable to procure without a fee accomm which is gratuitously afforded to men. A charge for personal attendance, however, is at least partially defensible on grounds which will readily suggest them-selves, and it is possible for the railway company to keep the attendants provided with small change. But the penny slot has no advantages. It does not insure cleanliness — quite the contrary. It gives no change, it will not lways open for a penny; and it will not open for anything else, not even for two halfpennies. Unless the penny be forthcoming, it makes no sort of allowance, even for the most urgent necessity. It is, in fact, an omination and on behalf of a fair moiety of their passengers we unhesitatingly call upon the rail-way companies which have adopted the slot in this particular application to put an end to it forthwith.

We cannot but commend the courage and good sense of the correspondent who first raised the complaint. The letters we have published, and the large number we have received, have shown beyond all doubt that the grievance is serious and widely

No one will accuse English women of crying out in such a manner without good cause. We are gratified to learn that the discussion of the grievance in our columns has already borne fruit. The manager of the London and South-Western Railway has written to us to say that a perusal of the letters which we have pub-lished has satisfied him of the reality of the hardship inflicted upon women by the present system, and he undertakes to have it remedied.

Today's royal engagements

The Prince and Princess of Wales will visit University Hospital, Not-tingham, at 11.15. The Prince of Wales, as President of Business in the Community, will

attend the Partnership Approach to Economic Regeneration con-ference at Boots Charitable Trust. Oueen's Road, Nottingham, at 1.30; and, as President of the Prince's Trust and the Prince's Youth Business Trust, will meet grant and loan recipients from the trusts at the Arts Centre, Nottingham University, at 2.10. The Princess of Wales, as Presi-

dent of Barnardo's, will visit the Greenfield Centre, Russell Road. Nottingham, at 12.20; as Patron of Help the Aged, will visit the Health Advice Centre, Lower Parliament Street, at 1.20; and will visit Birkin, Bains Drive. Rarrowash, Derbyshire, at 2.15. The Princess Royal, as Colonel-in-Chief of The Royal Scots, will visit the 2nd Battalion, 52nd Lowland Volunteers, at Napier Barracks,

Folkestone, at 10.25. The Duke of Kent will visit he Farnborough International Airshow '92 at 10.30.

The Duchess of Kent will open Carlion Lodge youth centre. Thirsk at 11.45; and will perform he naming ceremony of the new vicrsey Class Lifeboat RNLB anny Victoria Wilson and Frank

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Armand Jean, Duc de Richelieu, cardinal and statesman. Chinon, France, 1585; Luigi Galvini, scientist, Bologna, 1737 William Bligh, captain of HMS Bounty, Cornwall, 1754: Leo Tolstoy, writer, Yasnaya Polyana, Russia, 1828.

DEATHS: William the Conqueror, reigned 1066-87, Rouen, 1087; Sir Humphrey Gilbert, navigator, at sea south of the Azores, 1583; Henri Toulouse-Lautrec, painter, Malrome, France, 1901; Mao Tse-Tung, chairman of the People's Republic of China 1949-59, Peking, 1976.

Admiral Sir David Hallifax

A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Admiral Sir David Hallifax, KCB, KCVO, KBE, will be held in St George's Chapel, Windsor Cas-tle on October 9, 1992, at 3pm. Applications for tickets enclosing sae to Chapter Office, The Clois-ters, Windsor Castle, Berkshire. SL4 1NJ, by September 25, 1992.

Correction Miss Antonia Greenwell Murly-Gotto, who last week appeared in a photograph on this page showing preparation for the Queen Char-lotte's Ball, was incorrectly described as Miss Samantha Nix.

Catholic laity set to fill the gap

BY RUTH GLEDHILL, RELIGION CORRESPONDENT

THE Roman Catholic Church is calling on its laity to help out in dioceses where there are no longer enough priests to go round. Many dioceses are training lay pastoral workers or grouping parishes together so they can continue without a resident priest, the National Conference of Priests meeting

in Birmingham was told. The conference is addressing collaborative ministry between laity, priests and bishops. According to The Tablet, the influential Catholic weekly journal, some parishes cannot now have a Mass on a Sunday because of the shortage of priests.

In Aberdeen, one of the largest dioceses in Great Britain, 36 priests, mostly in their 60s, are serving 20,000 Catholics. One priest is 88. The diocese suffered an added serback when two young priests left recently although they have remained active church members. The diocese Second Vatican Council.

is taking the shortage into account in its pastoral plan. Some married men are being ordained permanent deacons, able to carry out all a priest's functions except say Mass or hear confession. A diocesan spokesman said: "There is a problem with the shortage of priests but it is not insuperable."

Father Brian O'Sullivan, chairman of the priests' conference, said the dwindling number of priests was "concentrating the mind wonderfully" on the need for collaboration.

He said: "Even if there were four times as many priests as there are now. I feel that collaborative ministry is the way forward."

Miss Pat Jones, assistant general secretary of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, told the conference that collaborative ministry was a necessary response to the

1991-92 Bar Vocational Course

The following candidates have re-sat and passed the required Bar Vocational Course assessments in 1992 in order to complete the Bar Vocational Course by training and In numerical order

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Egele (I): C G Fox (G): K P Hobson (I): G
M Salmond (I): A Baray (G): J S
Boumphrey (I): G Perm (L): J D GrantGarwood (M): J Hypolite de souza (L):
C A Jones (G): P S Krahl (L): R C
Lawrence (I): S Mahmood (M): D S
McCullough (L): A A J Ojf (I): J J
Reynolds (I): C M Stent (L): M J
Townsend (M): B A R Bannerman (I): A
M Henley (M): J Jagmohan (M): S
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Mr Patrick Giles Andrew Eyre 10 be Master of the Supreme Court, Queen's Bench Division, from

University news Birmingham

last June:

paediatric gastroenterology and nutrition, school of medicine. Old Icelandic: Dr A. R. Faulkes, reader in Old Icelandic, school of

Experimental immunology: Dr E.J. Jenkinson, reader in experimental immunology, department of anatomy. Professor John Burton, director of

the Centre for Business Economics, European Business School, has been appointed to the chair of business administration, from July.

Professor Barry Whittaker has been appointed to the chair of mining engineering in the department of mining and mineral engineering, from October 1. He is currendy professor of rock mechanics and director of the Institute of Environmental Engineering at Nottingham

son and daughter.

Appointments Personal title of professor, from Diabetic medicine: Dr A. H. Barnett, reader in medicine in the school on medicine.

Applied physics: Dr T. D. Beynon, reader in reactor physics, school of physics and space research. Paediatric gastroenterology and nutrition: Dr I.W. Booth, reader in

English.
Philosophy: Dr CJ. Hookway, reader in philosophy, school of philosophy and theology.

Gould exposes Labour rift on support for Maastricht

BY PHILIP WEBSTER, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

A RIFT within the Labour leadership over the party's cautious support for the Maastricht treaty was exposed yesterday as Bryan Gould called for it to be scrapped and declared that a French "Yes" vote would still leave it in deep trouble.

In a surprise statement, the shadow national heritage secretary said that Maastricht was "not the right blueprint" for Europe. Mr Gould followed John Prescott, the shadow transport secretary. in voicing dissent from the public backing for a French endorsement of Maastricht which was expressed last week by Jack Cunningham, the shadow foreign secretary. John Smith, the Labour leader, faced pressure on a second front when senior

union leaders, including John Edmonds, the GMB leader, called openly for a devaluation of the pound within the exchange rate mechanism. Although a handful of shadow cabinet members also support that stance, Mr Smith will refuse to see Labour tagged as the

party of devaluation. Mr Gould said that a "No" vote would at least point the way to what was inevitable, a fundamental reappraisal of Europe's future direction, while a "Yes" vote would encourage the illusion that the

treaty was back on course. While Mr Gould and Mr Prescott are the two most vocal Eurosceptics in the shadow cabinet, others are known to have doubts about the wisdom of Labour being seen to tie itself to the Maastricht standard. At least two, David Blunkett, the shadow



Gould: treaty is not the right blueprint

health secretary, and Michael Meacher, the overseas development spokesman, are understood to be backing a British referendum on the treaty. Mr Meacher and others have voiced concern that the ERM, as it is operating at present, is preventing anti-recession measures being

The moves confirm that Mr Smith will clearly face a challenge to his line of conditional backing for Maastricht when the shadow cabinet eventually takes a collective view. The issue is deeply sensitive because of growing support within the parliamentary party for Labour to vote against the Maastricht bill if and when it is reintroduced, and the leadership has deliberately avoided taking a formal position until the government has clarified its attitude in the

Opposition to the existing stance, however, could come next Monday when the ruling national executive meets to approve a new statement of Labour aims and objectives for debate at the annual conference. The draft paper is understood to avoid direct references to attitudes to Maastricht, but it will provide the opportunity for NEC members such as Mr Gould and Mr Prescott to state their

Mr Gould did not notify Mr Smith of his intention to deliver yesterday's statement. After being informed about it Mr Smith was officially said to be "relaxed", and his office said that Mr Gould was entitled to his opinion.

Arriving in Blackpool for a dinner with the TUC general council, Mr Smith said that Mr Gould would not be disciplined. "I think he was speculating, as we are all entitled to do, on the effect of the Danish negative response to their

Mr Gould told BBC Radio 4's The world at one: The Labour party hasn't yet reached a position in the light sult which is why I feel free to at least promote the debate on this question. We've got ourselves into the position where it's the French who seem to be able to decide these matters rather than ourselves."

French campaign, page 10 Ronald Butt, page 12



kisses the hand of the Princess of Wales yesterday during an official visit to the London Connection, a day centre that caters for the homeless aged between 16 and 24. It was her first official engagement since media coverage over tapes purporting to be of a private telephone conversation of the princess. The princess smiled and waved to crowds before entering the day centre near Trafalgar Square. She was applauded and cheered by a crowd of more than 300 when she arrived and smiled as she chatted to young people and the volunteer welfare workers who help them. The centre has helped more than

3,000 young people from the streets in three years and has a computer training centre and a nursery. Last night, as royal patron of British Youth Opera, the princess was attending a performance of Carmen at Sadler's Wells Theatre and today she joins the Prince of Wales for engagements in Nottingham and Derbyshire.

Enquiry launched into doctors' private fees

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of private health care. Mr Cavers, chief executive of Norwich Union Health Care, said that a surgeon who earns E50,000 part-time is paid at a rate of E300,000 full-time. If the fees were cut by half, premiums would fall by 20

per cent.
"The NHS prices the consultant's services at £50,000 but we pay him at a rate of E300,000," said Mr Cavers. "What is a consultant really worth? Even half the current figure would provide a pretty acceptable rate of £150,000 a year to the doctors. If they were uniformly paid at this we could per cent of our present claims costs and hence a similar amount in premium levels."

The private sector is under pressure from claim rates up by 15 per cent last year and rising costs. Premiums rose by between 20 and 40 per cent last year, and subscribers have fallen. Bupa, the largest

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insurer, and Western Provident, the third largest, reported falls of six per cent.

Average annual premiums for a middle-aged couple and their children are now over £1,200 compared with £270 in 1981. A man on average earnings has to work for 231 hours to earn the cost of private health insurance today, compared with 113 hours in 1981.

A review of the private health care market by inde-pendent consultant William Laing suggested that private hospitals could cut their costs by employing doctors full-time and offering fixed price surgery for common condi-But he gave a warning that "any major move in this direction would be vigorously opposed by consultants".

The commission has 12 months to complete its investigation. It will report to the trade secretary.

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BBC 'must to survive'

By MELINDA WITTSTOCK

axe jobs

THE BBC must axe thousands of jobs and shut many of its 14 studios to avoid strangulation by international rivals and survive as a "major player". Bruce Gyngell, chief executive of

TV-am, said last night.

He said the BBC must remain the cornerstone of broadcasting through quality, experimentation and in-tegrity, but that it did not need 24,000 people to sustain it. It was "a relief" that John Birt, who succeeds Sir Michael Checkland as directorgeneral in March, appears to be heralding big job cuts.

But Mr Gyngell, who turned TV-am into the most profitable station in the world, warned that the BBC would set itself on an "irreversible spiral of decline" if it moved away from popular

CBI leader offers to work with the unions

Continued from page 1 that pay should rise only where productivity and performance improvements jus-

Later, Mr Davies insisted that only by constraining the £75 billion pay bill for Brit-ain's 5.5 million public sector workers could cash be found to spend on rebuilding roads and railways.

Senior union leaders regretted the walkout, but were deeply unhappy about Mr Davies' pay lecture. Alan Jinkinson, general secretary of the National and Local Government Officers Association, said he was outraged by the call for restraint. But wards an improved dialogue with employers would be

Bill Morris, general secretary of Britain's biggest union, the transport workers, said he could have delivered parts of Mr Davies' speach himself. "In tone and content it is a qualitive difference

from anything government has been saying, or anything I have ever heard from a senior representative of the employers," Mr Morris said. He hoped that the speech would clear the way for a continuing dialogue over issues of common concern, relating both to Europe and domestic problems.

Alan Tuffin, of the Union of Communication Workers, said: "It is a good thing because we are about partnership. We are about talking and sitting down to get this country back on its feet."

Bill Jordan. president of the AEU engineering union, said that Mr Davies had made an people cannot take hearing things about themselves that they do not like, they really are not up to one of the toughest jobs in the world, representing people at work".

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'Secret ballot' to help shy voters

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lup. ICM, Harris and NOP gave Labour a lead of 1.3 per cent. In the event the Conservatives won by a margin of 7.6 per cent.

In a test, ICM used conventional question techniques for half their sample and a secret ballot on voting intention for the other. Other questions produced almost identical responses, but this was the dif-ference on voting intention:-

ICM said those who refused to answer or who had to be classified as "don't knows" rended to be older and female. In tests they have discovered that don't knows are also more likely than other respondents to nominate the Conservatives as the party with the best policy on the economy.

The company says that "the data suggests that the partypreference question has become sensitive" and points out that the apparent skew in party support is also ironed out when a voting intention is ascribed to refusers and don't knows in line with who they think has the best economic

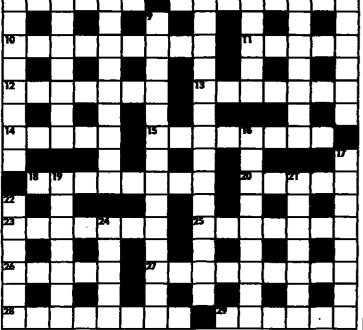
Adjusting the last ICM poll before the election in line with the difference achieved in the secret ballot test would have produced figures of: Con 42 per cent, Lab 36 per cent and Lib Dems 18 per cent, compared with an actual 43, 35 and 18 per cent.
In future ICM will not only

use secret ballots for voting intention but will ask first whether people are certain to vote and exclude from the voting-intention question those who say they will not They will analyse the responses of those who refuse to fill out a voting paper and the don't knows and ascribe to them party support in line with the party they think can best handle the economy.

Other opinion pollsters are also conducting studies. Brian Gosschaik, director of Mori, said: "We are still looking very carefully at our polling methodology and we haven't drawn any conclusions yet. We have found a fall in the number of people willing to be interviewed. We are considering introducing a secret ballot."

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THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 19,019



ACROSS 1 Supreme

northern woman - a chirpy creature (6).

4 Omnipresence of one left in university extremely briefly (8). 10 Well-ordered fruit found by

11 Retired soldier takes game home in Alaska (5). 12 Secure his conversion, like Othelio (7).

13 Merit of French Bible used in

15 Excellent sort of seat for opera left. perhaps (8).

18 In its turn it may ensure our

20 Young deer, say, a member of this classification (5) 23 Cutter also observed in receding rough water (7).

25 Striking occupation for election officials (7).

Solution to Puzzle No 19.018

26 Hood or sash worn by sailors

27 Plant obtained from wise charac 28 But could this fortress be blown apart by a single shor? (8). 29 Grand Dickensian character's

DOWN I Charge may include first instalment of reparations for bloomer

feeling of resentment (6).

2 Root taken by tailless creature little bird and antelope (7). 3 Liquor manufacturer's daughter

is a sucker (9). 5 Means of subsistence Werther's Charlotte went on cutting (5,3,6). 6 Game nobody abandons on even

terms (5). 7 Uncouth redhead in sick-bed (3-8 Sheriff's assistants longing to

receive key award (6). 9 Revolutionary device used in celebrating a failed plot (9.5)

to Like a thistle, it's less harmful across a stream (9). 17 Generosity with a capital letter, we hear (8).

19 Vehicle serving several purposes at once (7). 21 Made one mad in feud about

22 Her youngster is kept outside, being in the second order (6). 24 A Scotsman is climbing this

Concise Crossword, page 9
Life & Times section

By Philip Howard

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The puzzle was solved within 30 minutes by 45 per cent of the competitors at the

1982 Birmingham regional final of The Times InterCity Crossword Championship.

A cloudy start in all areas, with rain over Scotland, Ireland and northwestern England, this giving way to sunshine and showers this afternoon. Elsewhere will be cloudy with light drizzle, but, as the day wears on, southern and eastern England should become dry with sunny spells. Outlook: dry in most areas, but cloud and rain over Ireland and northern Scotland will spread to affect all of Britain during Friday before giving way to sunshine and showers.

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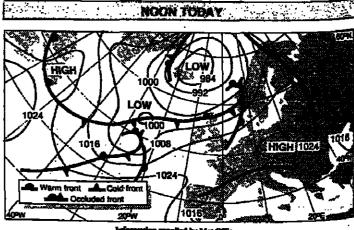
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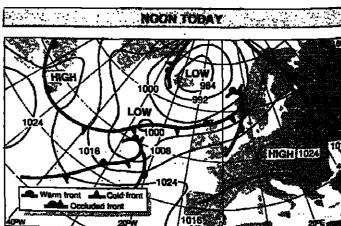


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BUSINESS EDITOR JOHN BELL



CHEERLESS



The 1989 monopolies beer supply has been a disaster for all concerned says Leif Mills, a former Page 21

COLD BLAST

Steps by Russia to halt exports of oil products sent a cold blast through the energy futures market in London yesterday Page 18

ON CALL



Man

subscribers may double in the next year thanks to a £25 million deal by GPT, the cable group Page 19

OUT OF GEAR

Higher profits from overseas have not been able to prevent a dip in fortunes at IMI, the engineering group
Page 19

HEINZ BLUES



Shares in Heinz fell in New York yesterday after first quarter profits fell 47 per cent

THE POUND

US dollar 2.0020 (+0.0053) German mark 2.7888 (-0.0114) Exchange index 92.4 (same)

STOCK MARKET

Bank of England official close (4pm)

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RETAIL PRICES

Housebuilder urges government intervention after slide into red and halved payout

No recovery for five years, warns Wimpey

from under them.

whole in the most effective way

at our disposal — by getting the housing market back to

steady growth."

Joe Dwyer, chief executive,

said activity levels in all

Wimpey's businesses - house-

building, contracting and

since April. "Since the general

election, we have seen a fur-

ther decline in housing and

construction markets, com-

pounded, as recently as two

months ago, by a significant

falling away in demand for

aggregates in our UK mar-

kets." But he refused to say

whether, with operating profits falling from £15.6 million

to just £5 million, any of the

group's divisions had incurred

EC to plug Chrysler loophole

FROM TOM WALKER IN BRUSSELS

stitutes illegal state aid. The

total cost of the factory, a joint

venture with Puch, the Austri-

an company, is about £215

million; as it comprises 33 per

cent of the total, the sum

breaks EC state aid rules,

which limit government con-

The commission's enquiry

was bolstered by complaints from Matra, the French state company, which makes the

Renault Espace, the main EC

competitor to the Voyager.

Matra claims the Voyager will

unfairly squeeze its van's share

Chrsysler, which had previ-ously looked to Spain and

Portugal to set up a Voyager plant, was hared by the Austri-

an benefits. They shopped around like all companies

wanting to invest in the EC," a

commission source said.

They wanted a site with free

access to the EC - it's obvious

that the Austrian market

Under free trade rules agreed between the EFTA

wasn't important to them."

of the market

tributions to 8-10 per cent.

had deteriorated

SIR Clifford Chetwood, due to report today and tomorchairman of George Wimpey, one of Britain's biggest housebuilding and contracting groups, yes-terday called on the governrow respectively, fell in sympathy, with analysts preferring to wait and see rather than second guess the extent to which the slump has hit other ment to intervene to bring companies. the recession to an end. Priority should be given to restoring confidence in house prices, Sir Clifford said. This Without urgent interven-tion, he said, the slump could last another five years was not special pleading, he said, but recognition of the fact and send many contracting

companies to the wall. He did not accept the argument "that if we get inflation down and interest rates down, then the economy will take off." The experience of the American economy, which re-mained in recession despite interest rates of 3 per cent, was evidence of the futility of the argument, Sir Clifford said.

"It requires co-operation between government and industry to get the country back to business," he added. Without that, "there will be very few contracting companies left" in a few years' time.

Sir Clifford's call came as George Wimpey sent fresh tremors through the beleaguered building sector by re-porting first-half pre-tax losses of £7.2 million (£200,000 profit) and a halving in the interim dividend to 2p. In an effort to calm stock market nerves, the company said that in the absence of further deterioration in trading conditions, a final dividend of 3.25p, half last year's sum, will be paid.

Wimpey shares fell by more than 18 per cent in early reaction to the losses, but later recovered to close 6p lower at 71p. Shares in other_large contractors, such as Taylor Woodrow and John Laing,

SIR Leon Brittan, the EC

competition commissioner, is

today expected to ask Com-

munity governments to im-

pose 20 per cent duties on all

Voyager vans imported into

the EC from a new Chrysler

plant in Graz, Austria, that is

scheduled to come on-line next

The decision will be one of

the most controversial taken in

the commission's battle to

achieve a "level playing field"

in Europe and is expected to anger both the Austrian gov-ernment and the American carmaker. For the commission

it comes at a particularly awk-

ward time, with the EC's agreement with Austria and

its European Free Trade Asso-

ciation partners to create a

European economic area not

Sir Leon, who has investi-

gated the funding of the plant with Frans Andriessen, his

external relations colleague, believes the £72 million that

the Austrian government has

pumped into the factory con-

losses. A breakdown will be provided with the full-year gures. During the half year, Wimpey sold 3,343 houses worldwide, about 12 per cent down on last year. Britain's contribution to that was 2,803 homes, a little over 10 per cent down on the first half of last year. The average selling price fell from £65,500 to £60,600. partly reflecting more sales to that people will not spend first-time buyers and partly when the money they have reflecting the company's coninvested in property - "the tinued push into low cost,

largest investment they will social housing. Mr Dwyer said the com-pany had budgeted to sell 6,250 units in Britain this ever make" — has vanished He declined to urge specific measures from the govern-ment, preferring ideas to year, 2 per cent down on last year. But statistics released on Monday by the Department emerge from the consultation of Environment showed hous-ing starts in Britain 6 per cent process. He said: "There can be schemes devised which are down on last year in the first seven months of the year and neither short-term nor impulsive and it should not be 9 per cent down in the three beyond our wit as a nation to identify them and implement months to the end of July. Turnover fell almost 18 per them to help the country as a

cent to £731 million, partly reflecting Wimpey's policy of not chasing construction business at umprofitable margins Mr Dwyer said. A fall in the forward order book from £800 million to £600 million also reflected this, together with the diminishing amount of work still to be done by Transmanche Link, the con-tractor building and equipping the Channel tunnel. Wimpey has a 10 per cent stake in TML Mr Dwyer described the continuing three way negotiations with Euro-tunnel, developer of the tunnel, and bankers to the project as being at a "sensitive stage".

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nations and the EC in 1973,

when Britain left EFTA to join

the Community, the EFTA countries should apply similar limits on state subsidies. "It's

unfortunate that the Austrians

did not feel bound by the

After a long absence from

the market, Chrysler will start

selling Jeeps in Britain from

the start of next year. Eventu-ally the new Dodge Viper, en-

joying huge demand in America, may also be sold in

Britain, and the Voyager is

due to hit the market in about

18 months. A Chrysler spokes-

woman in Dover said no

prices had been determined

yet. As well as adapting the

van to right-hand drive the

British version will also need

the single sliding passenger door fitted onto the pavement

side of the van. Renault has

sold 15,000 Espaces in Brit-

ain since the "people carrier" came on the market in 1985.

Prices vary from £17,000 to £25,950 for the V6 top-of-the-

range model.

rules," said the source.



Grim outlook: Joe Dwyer, chief executive, yesterday reported a deterioration in all the company's markets

Fisons waits for US approval on **Opticrom**

By GEORGE STYELL

CEDRIC Scroggs, the recent-ly appointed chief executive of Fisons, said yesterday he was waiting for the American Food and Drug Administra-tion to either lift the bar on Opticrom, the eye treatment, or to make another inspection

of the British factory.

Costs of bringing Opticrom production up to FDA standards, and of ensuring that none of Fisons' other drugs would be affected, allied to delays in supply, sent profits down from £95.2 million to £40.4 million in the six months to end June. Despite a warning of such figures in June the shares fell 24p to

150p, a six-year low. Fisons also blamed the impact of the recession on the scientific equipment division for the fall in profits. Scientific equipment profits fell 37 per cent to £17.1 million on sales up 2 per cent at £307 million. Mr Scroggs and Patrick Egan, the new chairman, were critical of previous attempts at dealing with FDA complaints over Fisons production. Mr Scroges said that finally it was decided to rebuild the Opticrom plant Fisons was further disappointed this

spring when FDA inspectors said they were still not happy. Fisons says it has made toplevel management appoint-ments from candidates with a broad level of pharmaceutical experience to production, research and development, quality control, and personnel departments of the pharmaceutical division. And as what Fisons describes as sign of confidence, the half-year dividend was maintained at 3.3p. Ironically, sales of Opticrom in Britain rose 96 per cent from mid-1991 because of a

severe hay-fever season.

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Sterling suffers as Finns detach currency from ecu

By Colin Narbrough, economics correspondent

A SURPRISE decision by Finland to unpeg its currency from the ecu drove investors lemming-like out of Scandinavian currencies into the safety of the mark, putting the pound under renewed pressure.

The weaker pound, plus fresh opinion polls suggesting only a narrow majority in France in favour of the Maastricht treaty, fuelled unease in the City. The FT-SE 100 index of leading shares ended 34.5 lower at 2,337.7.

Sterling shed a pfennig on news of the effective devaluation of the Finnish currency. which aroused fears of knockon devaluations and refocused market attention on the pound and the lira, both close to their lower limits in the European exchange-rate mechanism (ERM).

At the official 4 pm London close, the pound stood at DM2.7888, a little more than a pfennig above its absolute ERM floor. This left it well over a

pfennig down on Monday, despite the £7.3 billion package of currency borrowing announced on Thursday to enhance the defences for the pound, and the firm commitment to present ERM parities that emerged from the weekend meeting, in Bath, of European Communty finance ministers and central bankers.

The lira, whose defence lines were reinforced on Fri-day by an increase in key interest rates and by overnight rates of 25 per cent, slipped back towards it ERM floor. It closed at 764.20 to the mark. against 763.40 on Monday. The Finnish move, trig-

gered by the depletion of its currency reserves, led to a 13 per cent devaluation of the national currency, the mark-ka Finland, caught in a severe recession, devalued 12.3 per The Swedish central bank

swiftly responded to the Finnish move by lifting its marginal lending rate by eight

rcentage points to a record per cent to stave off pressure on the krona. The Swedish credit market closed, unable to cope with the aggressive tightening.

Short-term interest rates in Norway also jumped about 3.5 points to 17 per cent, the highest for nearly four years. The authorities in both Sweden and Norway sought to reassure the markets that they would not follow the Finns' example and decouple their currencies from the ecu. The Danish krone, a core member of the ERM, and the Icelandic currency, largely escaped the

Although the pound did not appear to have been supported by the Bank of England, its renewed fall disturbed ana-

David Simmonds, currency economist at Midland Monta-gu, said: "The pound does not look very good and will stay

Amid speculation that the American authorities could cut the discount rate again soon, possibly after American producer price data on Friday, sentiment for the dollar is unlikely to improve either. As the mark drew strength from Scandinavian turbulence, the dollar fell back to DM 1.3900, recovering slightly late in the

European day. On Monday, the financial markets' reaction to the reassuring statements from Bath had been generally favour-able, especially to the formal statement that the Bundesbank had no intention to raise interest rates.

Helmut Schlesinger, the Bundesbank president, made it clear yesterday, however, that there had been nothing new in the stance he took at the weekend meeting. He rejected the suggestion that he had conceded ground under

The centre-right ment of Esko Aho, the Finnish prime minister, easily survived a vote of no-confidence in the parliament in Helsinki yesterday afternoon. Although the vote was not on the move to unpeg the mark, it was on the eovernment's economic policy

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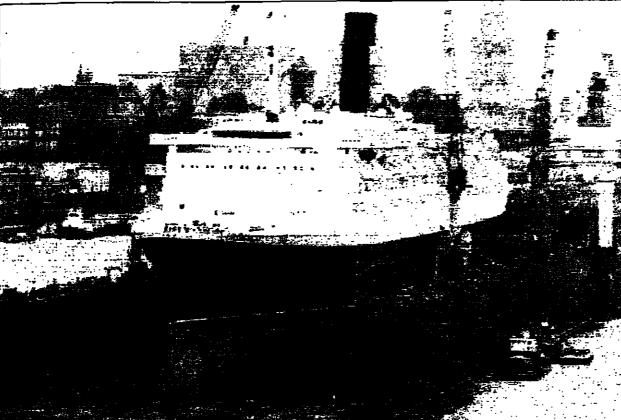
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Cost of repairs to QE2 could cruise past £30m



Raised for repair: the QE2 in dry dock after arriving at the Blohm & Voss shipyard in Hamburg yesterday

By JONATHAN PRYNN

THE Queen Elizabeth 2, the Cunard liner that was crip-pled by damage to its hull off the northeast coast of America in early August, has arrived at the Blohm & Voss shipyard in Hamburg for repairs. The work to the hull and

keel is expected to last until the end of the month and will cost at least \$30 million, say industry experts. Cunard is yet to calculate the costs of the accident. It is believed that lost revenue from cancelled and postponed cruises will be about £14 million; for a total of at least £30 million, though the figure could be much

The lead insurer to Cunard is Commercial Union, with about a fifth of the exposure to the loss. Lloyd's is thought to have limited exposure.

The ship arrived in Hamburg after a seven-day crossing from Boston at three quarter speed. Cunard is hoping to return her to scheduled services on October 4, when she is due to depart Southampton for a seven-day cruise around the coasts of Portugal and southern Spain.

Hillsdown acquires

Warning of

job cuts

at Medeva

BY OUR CITY STAFF

MEDEVA, the fast-expand-

ing pharmaceuticals group, is

warning of job losses and heavy rationalisation costs to come in the second half despite a 250 per cent surge in

profits in the first half of this

Bernard Taylor, the chair-

man of Medeva, reports an 82

per cent advance in sales, from

£31.7 million to £57.7 million,

producing pre-tax profits of £14.1 million, against £4.01 million, although much of the

increase relates to the string of recent acquisitions made by

the group. Earnings per share more than doubled, from

2.26p to 4.58p a share, and

the interim dividend is lifted

But there are problems at

from 0.5p to 0.75p a share.

Evans-Kerfoot, which operates in the highly competitive UK generics market. Mr Taylor says jobs will go in the second half of the year, as part

of a rationalisation pro-

gramme that will cost the

group £1 million-£1.5 million

He says the board is "con-

sidering a number of options

for the future of this business".

whose sales fell by 28 per cent

to £12 million in the first half.

during the period.

GAS oil futures leapt on London's International Petroleum Exchange yesterday after the biggest Russian oil

product exporter suspended

Product for delivery in Sep-tember rose by \$4 a tonne before settling down to show a

rise of \$2.50 to \$184.75.

Rosnefteprodukt was quoted

by international news agen-

cies as saying exports had been suspended to allow Rus-

sia to send fuel to its northern

outposts before the rivers

freeze up for winter and to

assist with the 1992 harvest.

they had been told that Russia had declared force majeure on

deliveries due between Sep-

Rosnefteprodukt is estimat-

ed to handle about three

quarters of Russian exports of

oil products. In the first half of 1992 the International Ener-

gy Agency, based in Paris,

estimated that the former

Soviet Union exported 1.75

Japanese traders said that

deliveries to the West.

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Dutch food group HILLSDOWN, the food group, is to pay £50 million for what it describes as the leading European producer of prepared chilled salads. The Beledia chilled foods group includes the Johnna Group in the Netherlands and Belgium, the Kobenhawns Salat Group in Denmark, and the Nadler Group in Comman.

Germany. Nadler is also Germany's largest supplier of marinated and smoked fish products and is a leading distributor in Germany of ketchup, mayonnaise and sauces. Net assets being acquired are estimated at 90.8 Dutch guilders (£29 million). Sales in the year to the end of September last year were more than Fl 500 million and combined energying profits upon Et 14 million. Hillstown combined operating profits were FI 14 million. Hillsdown says that since 1988 about FI 100 million has been spent on modernisation, making the factories the most up to date in

US disposals for Lasmo

LASMO, the oil and gas group which took over Ultramar last December, has raised another \$100 million from disposals further relieving the pressure on its balance sheet, which at the last half-year end had £914 million of debt representing 80 per cent of shareholders' funds. Lasmo is selling Ultramar Oil and Gas Ltd of Houston to Cody Resources Inc for about \$85 million and expects about \$15 million from selling its share of the Bright Star Gas Gathering System in eastern Texas and other marketing assets.

Hiram Walker sells

HIRAM Walker, a subsidiary of Allied-Lyons, the food and drinks group, has sold its Kendermann and Langenbach wine businesses in Germany to Gunther Reh, a private group, for an undisclosed sum. The business had a combined turnover in the last financial year of DM70 million. Its brands include Black Tower and Crown of Crowns. Hiram Walker will continue to distribute the two brands under longterm sole agency agreements in those markets, including Britain, where it already handles the brands.

Macro 4 lifts payout

MACRO 4, the computer software group lifted pre-tax profits to £8.75 million (£7.65 million) in the first half and earnings by 15.2 per cent to 26.5p, handing shareholders a 61.36 per cent dividend increase. Terry Kelly, the chairman, forecast "better than nominal profits growth" in 1993. Macro 4 does three-quarters of its business overseas. The company is paying a 7.61p final dividend on top of the 5.14p already paid, and is supplementing this with a special Sp dividend, which brings the total to 17.75p (11p).

Home Counties slips

HOME Counties Newspapers is maintaining the interim dividend at 2.75p, after profits fell from £636,000 before tax to £546,000 in the half-year to end-June, against £2.24 million two years ago. The group incurred an operating loss of £203,000 on turnover of £11.3 million but received an exceptional credit of £512,000 from the sale of shares in Reuters Holdings. Earnings were down from 4.25p to 3.66p. The final dividend will be decided in the light of trading conditions for the rest of the current year and early 1993.

Bletchley advances

SHARES in Bletchley Motor Group rose 20p to 170p in response to a 49 per cent rise increase in pre-tax profits from £406.000 to £604,000 in the half-year to the end of June. The interim dividend is raised from 4.1p a share to 4.4p. Turnover rose from £30.3 million to £34.96 million and profits before interest payments from £1.1 million to £1.26 million. Interest charges eased from £690,000 to £657,000, reflecting initial benefits of a £2. I million placing and open offer in June. Earnings were 11.4p a share, up from 8.1p.

Good year for Adscene

ADSCENE Group, the local newspaper group, lifted pre-tax profits to £1.61 million (£705,000) in the year to the end of May, reflecting sharply reduced costs. The company sliced £1 million out of administrative costs and repaid borrowings of £1.55 million, reducing interest charges from £790,000 to £528,000 and gearing from 59 per cent to 32 per cent. Earnings rose from 3.6p a share to 8.5p. There is a final dividend of 2.5p a share (1.25p), to restore the total dividend to 4p (2p), in line with the level of two years ago.

Profit fall at merged surveyor

By MATTREW BOND

HERRING Baker Harris, a firm of chartered surveyors, has reported its first interim results since it was formed from the merger of Herring Son & Daw and Baker Harris Saunders at the end of last

The figures show the enlarged group making a pre-tax profit of £1.6 million, ten per cent down on the £1.8 million that Herring Son & Daw made in the first half of 1991. The merger came about by HSD taking over BHS and the figures have not been merger accounted. They are therefore not directly compa-

Peter Farrington, chief executive, said the profit fall could not be blamed on the former BHS operation, which had been profitable from the start and had contributed £3.5 million to group turnover of £10.6

He said, however: "Neither part of the enlarged business has been as profitable as we thought they would be last

The interim dividend is maintained at 3.25p, despite earnings per share falling 36 per cent to 6.24p (9.74p).

Nicholas Owen, chairman, described the results as a tremendous achievement in an economy that refuses to shake off recession and an industry that tends to lag the

A cost saving programme is being continued with the aim of achieving savings of £300,000 in the second half, making a total of £1 million for the full year.

Triumph on sales at Croda

By MICHAEL TATE CITY EDITOR

IMPROVED productivity at home and increasing sales overseas generated a 40 per cent rise in first-half profits at Croda International, the Humberside chemicals. coatings and cosmetics group. Michael Valentine, chairman, said pre-tax profits rose to £14.3 million (£10.2 mil-

lion) and earnings per share of

7.2p (5.1p). The interim dividend is pegged at 2.75p.
Mr Valentine is unusually optimistic for an industrialist in the current conditions, describing the trading outlook as in some respects surprisingly encouraging". He said raw material and energy costs were stable, demand in some overseas markets, notably America, was strengthening, and

borrowing costs outside Europe were historically low. At the same time, however, he said that economic activity in mainland Europe continues to weaken, that there is no end in sight to the UK recession and that the dollar

has weakened significantly. Croda says its success in coping with the recession this year is a reward for management planning and action over the past two years. Chemicals, contributing more than 80 per cent of the total, made record trading profits of £15.5 million, and the coatings division made a use ful recovery, at £3.3 million (£2.7 million).

Only the cosmetics and toiletries activities disappointed, with a deficit of £200,000 against £200.000 profit last

Oil futures leap as Russia suspends deliveries to West

million barrels of oil a day made up of 1.25 million barrels of oil and half a million barrels of product. This is thought to be about 400,000 barrels a day down on the first half of 1991 just before the disruption caused by the failed August 1991 coup. A substantial proportion of existing CIS

production comes from the Russian republic. The IEA felt that CIS oil exports may have risen to 2.4 million barrels a day but thought that the figure for August had fallen. The Russian energy ministry said: This situation happens almost every year when the far north needs fuel before the frosts come. Any normal contract must take circumstances like this into account." The ministry expects Russian oil output to fall to 395 million tonnes in 1992, from 462.3

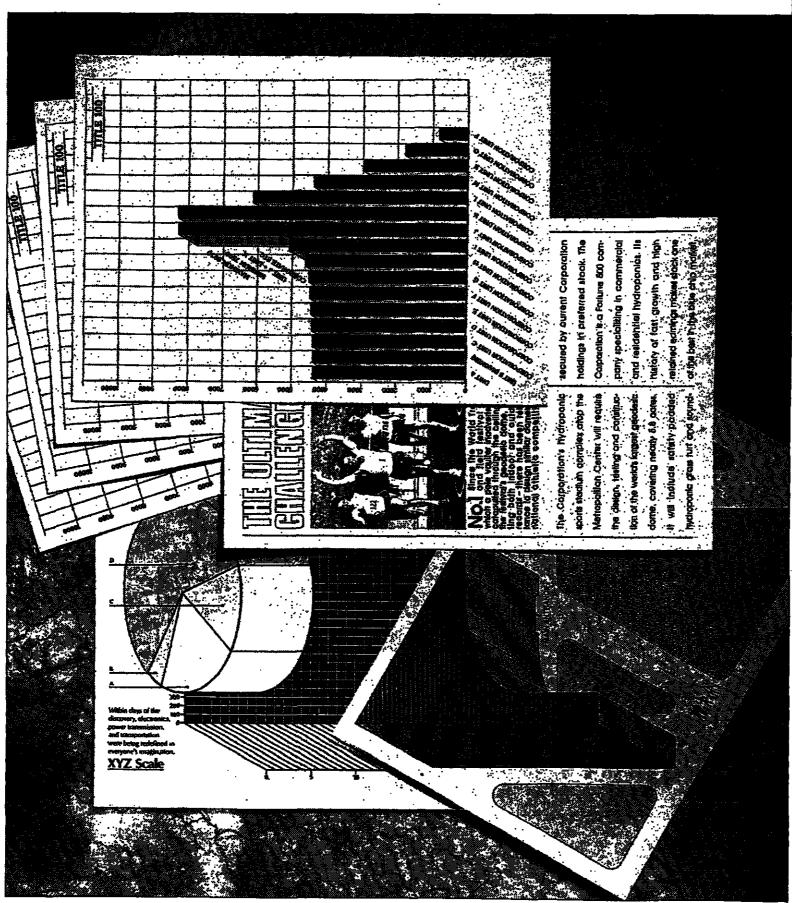
million in 1991. Ironically, the prospects of rising energy and food prices are jeopardising the progress

ling inflation. From a monthly rate of 300 or 400 per cent this January and February, it is estimated internally that inflation touched 7 per cent a month in July. The IMF. which is monitoring events in the former Soviet Union closely, wants a steady 10 per cent a month by the end of the year. Yesterday also saw the first strengthening of the rouble for two months. It rose to 207.9 against the dollar from a record low of 210.5 on the Moscow Currency Exchange. The last time the rouble rose in value was on July 9 when it cost 130.3 roubles to buy one dollar. Viktor Gerashchenko, Central Bank chairman, said the bank has spent \$650 million so far this year defending the rouble, and is willing to spend only another \$100 million over an unspecified period of time. But the IMF said this was "not a useful policy" and could not "bring long-



Rationalisation ahead: Bernard Taylor of Medeva

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switch to cable telephone services

By NICK NUTTALL, TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

GPT deal signals

A SHARP rise in the number of people switching from British Telecom and Mercury Communications to telephone services provided by cable companies is expected as a result of a development an-

nounced yesterday.

GPT said it had won a fiveyear contract to supply equip-ment to Southwestern Bell, an American regional telephone company with cable television franchises covering 1.2 mil-lion UK homes. The deal,

Barclays to sell Allied **Trust Bank**

A City bank with former connections to a senior share-holder in the Bank of Credit and Commerce International is being sold by Barclays to a South African institution.

Barclays is selling Allied Trust Bank to Investec Bank for £25 million. The bank specialises in high interest deposit accounts and personal and small business loans, and has assets of £200 million.

Two years ago, Barclays bought a majority stake in Allied Trust from Shaikh Kamal Adham, a former BCC1 shareholder who is helping the American authorities in their enquiry into the collapsed bank.

Payout held

Record Holdings, the hand toolmaker, is holding its inter-im dividend at 1.15p a share despite a decline in profits to £809,000 (£1.57 million) for the six months to end June. Earnings fell to 1.22p (3.32p) a share. Turnover rose to £13.97 million (£13.4 million). but trading profits fell to £801,000 (£1.75 million).

Instem ahead

Instem, the electronics and information systems group, raised its interim dividend to 1.3p (1.2p) on taxable profits of £551,000 (£507,000) and turnover of £7.1 million (£7.9) million) in the six months to end July. Earnings were 7.96p (7.21p) a share.

Ropner dips

First half profits at Ropner, the mini conglomerate, fell to £1.72 million (£2.27 million). Turnover rose to £8.3 million (£7.6 million), and the interim dividend stays at 3.5p.

Peek falls

Peek, the traffic control and field data systems group, has announced interim pre-tax profits of £2.8 million (£3 million) for the first six months of the year. The interim dividend

which could be worth up to £25 million and is one of the biggest made by a cable operator, might more than double the number of British cable telephone subscribers over the next 12 months from 47,000 to more than

This contract alone could, by 1997, lead to almost 450,000 subscribers as 80,000 homes a year sign up, industry experts predict. It could put the cable industry on course for up to 10 million domestic telephony customers by the year 2000, irrespective of take-up by industry and

Under the deal GPT, a joint venture between GEC and Siemens, will provide hardware and network management equipment enabling Southwestern Bell to operate a discount telephone service in its franchise areas, which cov-

er large parts of the Midlands and the North West. Customer calls could be 10 to 20 per cent cheaper, with the telephone service paying for the television channels or vice versa. The network will offer fibre optic cabling to each street of the franchise areas.

Initially, Mercury will switch calls on to the national and international network for Southwestern Bell. However, under the govern-

ment's liberalisation of the

telecommunications industry. new network operators, such as BRT, Telecom Electric and British Waterways are planning to carry telecommunica-

The equipment being sup-plied by GPT should eventually enable the cable company to re-route calls through the cheapest carrier, as well as to interconnect with adjacent franchises, bypassing BT and

Mercury altogether.
According to Alex Findlay, a
GPT official, the growth in cable telephony has exceeded early estimates, made in 1983 when the first of the 135 franchises were allocated.

Early operators believed that a mere 5 per cent of homes, rising to between 10 and 12 per cent, might be interested. Penetration has, however, reached 25 per cent; up to 30 per cent of subscribers to some franchises take

Recently, Cable Telecom which operates in the Windsor and Maidenhead areas of Berkshire, reported that its telephone revenues had exceeded those from television.

Such developments have prompted GPT to set up GPT Cablecom, in Coventry, to supply telecommunications equipment to a cable telephony equipment market estimat-ed to be worth £400 million in

Plantsbrook Group profits rise 40%

BY OUR CITY STAFF

SHARP reductions in costs and interest charges have out-weighed the effect of a declining UK death rate to leave first half profits at Plantsbrook Group, the undertaker, up 40 per cent at £4.9 million.

The company closed or sold 29 branches and shed 8 per cent of its workforce during the period, contributing to a 22 per cent increase in the operating margin and a 16 per cent fall in administrative costs. The interest bill fell from £2 million to £1.3 million.

Peter Hindley, the chief executive, said the death rate had fallen by 2.5 per cent in the first half, but government cent decline for the year as a

"Indications are that the current satisfactory trend in trading should continue for the rest of the year," Mr Hindley said.

The company plans to increase market share and profits by adding to its 374 branch network, concentrating on the the main population centres. Two London acquisitions in the first half have already added 450 funerals a year to the company's turnover, Mr Hindley said. A £10.5 million March

rights issue has reduced gearing from a year end peak of 415 per cent to 75 per cent at June 30. Mr Hindley said this was a level of borrowing with which he was comfortable as interest cover remained at a healthy 4.6 times.

The interim dividend is being maintained at 1p, but is costing the company £271,000 more than last year because of the additional shares in issue.

Plantbrook changed its name from PFG Hodgson Kenyon International at the emphasise the break with the company's past in particular its glamourous former chairman Howard Hodgson. Mr Hindley said that the company was being associated less and less, fortunately with its previous high profile image. The long established local firms that make up the Plantbrook network are now being re-emphasised at the expense of the corporate im-

age built up by Mr Hodgson,

Heinz chief stays confident

FROM PHILLP ROBINSON

HEINZ profits dropped almost 47 per cent during May June and July this year, but Tony O'Reilly, the chairman, says the year will show growth and increased sarrings. and increased earnings.

The fall in first quarter figures was exaggerated by a special one-off \$221 million bonus in the previous year from the sale of a business. Without that 1991 gain, operating income would have climbed a fifth from \$213 million to \$259 million on sales up 4 per cent to \$1.56 billion. The weakening dollar helped to boost sales.

But after taxes and all expenses, the net income figure of \$143.8 million was expected and the shares.

TI-IE quoted corporate community lost one of its few remaining showmen

yesterday when Sam Smith stood down

as chairman and chief executive of Bimec Industries after surviving in the worthy but dull corporate world of the early

1990s long after most other flamboyant

His departure became all but inevita-

ble last month when he announced that

Bimec would not be paying its declared final dividend of 0.83p because of a

sharp deterioration in trading condi-tions. The shares crashed to 64 p on the

news and left furning analysts claiming they had been misled by the company. Mr Smith had initially put a brave face

on the setback, which came after two

successive years of doubled profits and

five years of rising profits, claiming as

recently as mid August that "there is no

entrepreneurs had parted the scene.



O'Reilly: sees growth.

which peaked at \$45.5 this year, lost \$1 to \$40.875. Mr O'Reilly, who was named last year as the highest paid American executive with a \$75 million salary, said: "We lower than Wall Street had are seeing the benefits of our many management initia-

ing in key US markets and I look forward to a year of growth and increased earnings." He said sales gains had been seen in a range of the group's 3,000 products in-cluding cat food, Starkist tuna and Heinz baby food. Heinz shares fell after inves-

tors reacted to the company's first-quarter earnings that were below some analysts'

According to I/B/E/S, which compiles analysts' forecasts, the estimate for Heinz's fiscal first quarter was \$0.58 a share, with a high estimate of \$0.66 and a low of \$0.53. The stock was down 14 at 405/s. Nomi Ghez, of Goldman Sachs, said of the drop in stock: "It is unnecessary panic.
I saw nothing in the numbers to cause me any alarm."

Smith resigns as Bimec chairman

question of my resigning". The shares yesterday rose 1p to 82 p.

Mr Smith is being replaced as chairman by Roy Barber, the company doctor, best known in recent years for replacing Graham Rudd at the helm of Thomas

Neither Mr Smith nor Mr Barber were

available for comment yesterday. A terse

statement from Bimec said, by way of

explanation for the changes, that: "The

skills and qualities to build a business

such as has been required over the past

five years in an expanding economy are

different from those now called upon for

the management of Bimec in the present

Mr Smith joined the then struggling group in 1989, exploiting its green credentials to the full to secure stock

market backing for an ambitious acquisi-

tion expansion programme into aero-

space, air conditioning and electronics.

Robinson in October 1991.

recessionary climate".



LOSSES on titanium as aircraft builders continued to de-stock were mainly respon-sible for a £3.6 million downturn in pre-tax profits at IMI, from £40.1 million to £36.5 million, in the first half of-1992. There is an unchanged interim dividend of 4.2p. Titanium prices plunged as Rolls-Royce, IMI's biggest

customer, and other firms cut back, and the business, part of the special engineering division, made a loss. The group hopes it will break even by the year end. Much of the damage was offset by the minting side, which made 1.6 billion coins during the period to meet demand from

Gary Allen, the chief executive, said the building products arm had held profits. thanks to another strong performance in eastern Germany, and the drinks dispensing division had shrugged off recession to increase its contribution.

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Rolls and BMW secure \$500m engine contract

BY HARVEY ELLIOTT, AIR CORRESPONDENT

ROLLS-ROYCE and BMW of Germany yesterday signed a \$500 million contract to supply the power plant for a new generation of long-range business aircraft.

A joint company set up by the two companies two years ago will make engines producing up to 22,000lb of thrust and capable of powering eight passengers over 6,300 miles

non-stop.
The Rolls-BMW alliance is typical of the collaborative projects taking place between aerospace manufacturers

throughout Europe
Deliveries of the Gulfstream
V will begin in four years'
time. The aircraft will have a cabin large enough to enable international businessmen to fly in exceptional comfort, with rest and exercise areas and a shower.

The new engine, designated the BR710, will first run in 1994 and the plan is that it will be certificated in August 1996. Rolls-Royce will make parts in Derby, Bristol and Scotland; final assembly of the engine will take place in

Germany.
Rolls-Royce will share the profits as a 50 per cent partner in the venture. The Gulfstream V has been

developed to enable routes such as New York to Tokyo or London to Singapore to be

flown non-stop.

Albert Schneider, chairman of the board of management of BMW Rolls-Royce, said yesterday: "This major order from Gulfstream is the first and most significant breakthrough for the BR700 series. It signals the successful market debut of a complete family of engines which has been developed by BMW Rolls-

Royce since it was formed."
Rolls-Royce has had a long relationship with Gulfstream, having supplied engines for all the company's earlier series of jets. The BR710 engine has a wide fan developed by Rolls-Royce and produces far fewer harmful gases, as well as less noise, than previous ones. The

heights of up to 51,000ft and only slightly below the speed of sound. It will enable security-conscious businessmen to speed between some of the world's most important cities without having to pass through the heavily congested public areas of international airports.

The aircraft can stay air-borne for more than 14 hours and has a much larger baggage compartment than its predecessors.

ASH buys into US market

BY OUR CITY STAFF

AUTOMATED Security (Holdings), the electronic sec-urity and loss prevention group, is taking advantage of the weakness of the dollar to acquire the franchise operations of the world leader in audio alarm verification for \$42 million in cash.

The acquisition of Sonitrol Corporation and Sonitrol Management Corp will give ASH nationwide access to the American market.

Sonitrol Corporation is the franchiser of the Sonitrol audio alarm verification sustem and is being bought from Sonitrol Holding Company. At completion of the deal, the non-franchise operations

of Sonitrol Corporation will be distributed to Sonitrol Holding Company. Sonitrol has 170 franchises throughout North America and Europe, of which ASH will own 22 in southern California, Texas, Louisiana and the UK. The deal brings \$10 million

of recurring annual revenue and about \$2 million of annual net royalty income to ASH., which will also have the right of first refusal on any future franchises sold. Tom Buffet, chairman, said: "This purchase firmly establishes ASH as the international leader in

Candover prepares for upturn By NEIL BENNETT

CANDOVER Investments, the management buyout specialist, is planning to launch a fund next year to take advantage of any economic upturn.

Candover has already held exploratory talks with investors who are thought to be keen to back the new vehicle. Roger Brooke, Candover's chairman, said the fund would succeed the existing 1989 Fund, which raised £319 million, and which he expects will be fully invested by

early next year.

Candover has continued its successful track record in spite of the recession. In the half year to end-June the group increased net assets by 3 per cent to 251p. The group achieved the growth in spite of making undisclosed provisions against some invest-ments, which Mr Brooke said are struggling in the recession. Candover made provisions of £4.8 million in 1991 and Mr Brooke said the figures would be similar this year.

Fees from investment management helped to boost Candover's pre-tax profits for the half year by 4 per cent to £2.26 million. The group is raising its interim dividend by per cent to 3.75p a share.

During the half year, Candover invested in three buyouts, including the £140 million sale of the Gaymer drinks group by Allied-Lyons. Candover's board is meeting today to discuss two potential

The shares reached a peak of 86p in November last year followed by market rumours of a bid at £1 a share earlier this

Mr Smith quickly established a high

profile for Bimec by charming analysts and investors with his avuncular Scottish

manner. Few of his business peers in the

sombre, cost cutting, recessionary 1990s

could have got away with the loud suits,

bow ties and carnations that Mr Smith

consistently sported at press conferences

The company, originally known as Biomechanics International, set itself

high targets and was looking for annual sales of £250 million and profits of £24

But pre-tax profits for the year to end March grew only 13 per cent to £6

million and were accompanied by a

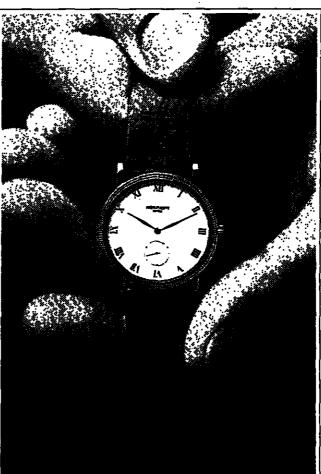
warning that the growth record could

come to a halt in the current year.

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TEMPUS

Fisons finds there is no quick remedy

IT IS tempting to make a case for investing in Fisons. When a share falls 24p to 150p on results more or less in line with a profits warning the case for recovery has to be examined. But at Fisons it will not work.

Yesterday, Patrick Egan, the new chairman, said Fisons should get back to good year-on-year growth, maybe not this year and maybe not on the dramatic scale seen in the eighties.

But there was concern in the City that the group, whose chief executive is Cedric Scroggs, would have to continue spending money beyond the first haif of 1992 on bringing its procedures into line with the expectations of the American Food and Drug Administration.

Fisons said that of the £45 million fall in first-half profit. £15.7 million was attributable to lost sales but that £11 million of lost profit was down to reduced margins arising from increased quality control and inspection, and that this would be a cost that would persist in the future.

Market promotions and research and development were responsible for the rest of the shortfall. On the plus side, the board seems confident of fetching good prices for the er health and horticultural divisions that are up for sale. They could make a big hole in net borrowings of £239 million, or 53 per cent of shareholders' funds. Opera-tional cashflow was marginal-

ly positive in the half year. Analysts translated such openness by reducing full-year forecasts for Fisons for the current year from £130 million to £110 million before tax and £140 million for 1993. Just as Mr Egan was taking over as chairman and the City thought the worst was past. the expectation for this year



Testing the water. Cedric Scroggs, left, with Patrick Egan, the new chairman, yesterday

that the FDA difficulties are resolved. The interim dividend was maintained at 3.3p and analysts expect a maintained total for the year of 8.7p, putting the shares on a surprising 7.8 per cent yield. On forecast 1992 earnings of 11.5p, the shares stand on a multiple of 13. Weary shareholders can only hold on for better things to come.

IMI HAD Rolis-Royce not taken the decision to de-stock last year, IMI might well have avoided a fall in pre-tax profits at all in the first half of

1992, it seems. Interim results show the drinks dispense division achieving an impressive advance in profits and building products continuing to benefit from the reconstruction of east Germany, while a 23 per cent downturn in fluid power is blamed largely on the ratio-nalisation needed after the group's recent hectic expansion in this sector. Together, these operations contributed £35.8 million in trading profit. The remaining division. special engineering, saw a £2.4 million setback to £4.7 million, with a strong performance by the components business, including the mint-

prepared to say no more about the American improvement than that it is fragile. The balance sheet remains strong, with gearing still at 31 per cent after £14 million of

Even the weaker dollar works in IMI's favour, given

that it exports some two-and-

a-half times more from Ameri-

ca than it sells there, and that

75 per cent of the group's

And yet IMI does not now

see any recovery in the UK at

least until next year, and is

borrowings are in dollars.

ing operations, which benefit-ted from the demand in eastacquisitions in the first half, and £24 million of capital ern Europe for new coinage, buried by losses from titanium and copper alloy tubing.

William Baird

be, the market's respect is already in the 228p share price.

expenditure, and the group remains cash generative at the operational level.

With profits expected to take another £2.5 million hit in the second half from restructuring costs, the group will do well to make £75 million pre-tax to produce earnings of perhaps 15.5p. Com-mendable though this would

MISTIMING the length of the recession was the best

ago, the textiles and engineer-

allow it to expand into the imminent economic recovery. The recovery is still a distant dream, but the rights issue cash has acted as an invaluable shield against the ravages of recession. Baird will be debt-free at the end of the year, and a 50 per cent fall in interest charges to £1.56 million was the only reason for the 9 per cent increase in

ing group raised a £39 million issue, in the belief it would

in the first half of the year. The figures suggest that Baird is weathering the recession better than most, but the second half may tell a differ-ent story. Baird has struggled to sell off five subsidiaries of Darchem, its engineering division. The extra disposal costs and the closure of a womenswear factory are expected to produce a £3 million

pre-tax profits to £10 million

exceptional charge. Overall, Baird's textile division is faring better than engineering. The former held operating profits at £8.8 million as sales rose £6 million to £195 million. Second-half figures may not be so resilient since Baird warned shareholders that demand has deteriorated during the summer.

Operating profits at Darchem, meanwhile, fell £500,000 to £3.2 million on lower sales. When the division is restructured it will consist of three core divisions: engineered insulation, fire protection and on-site services. the business's order book, however, remains sparse.

Baird will remain firmly on the defensive until the recovery finally arrives. Profits should rise by £2.5 million this year to £27.5 million, but once again, thanks mainly to the rights issue cash. The shares, at 200p, stand on a p/e ratio of 12 and are not

WORLD MARKETS

Dow suffers from holiday hangover

New York - Shares were weaker in quiet morning trade as market participants began to return after the long Labour Day weekend. By late morning, the Dow Jones industrial average was ten points lower at 3,271.93. Declines led ad-

vances by six to five. ☐ Frankfurt — The market subsided after Helmut Schle-

1.544.55 managed to edge back over the 1.5(0) mark The All

Ordinaries index ended 13.1 lower at 1.501.5. singer, Bundesbank presi-

weekend declaration on German interest rates was nothing new. The Day index ended 3.92 points higher at D Sydney - Australian shares closed at a 15-month low but

TOKYO

Profit-taking cancels out early advances

Tokyo - Shares closed weaker linked buying of the morning after surrendering early gains in quiet trading. Profit-taking and index-linked selling took their toll on prices as many investors, deprived of buying incentives, deserted the market, brokers said. "Volume is relatively thin and there's no particular news in the market to draw people back," one commented. "The index-

session simply kicked into reverse in the afternoon." The 225-share Nikkei aver-

18.282.42, with about 400 million shares traded. ☐ Singapore — Prices of blue chips were nudged higher at the close and the 30-share Straits Times index rose 11.61 points to 1,377.20. tReuter

age fell 157.76 points to

HONG KONG

Technical lift for shares

Hong Kong - Shares finished firmer on technical buying, mainly by local investors, in thin trading, brokers said. Turnover fell to a new year's low of HK\$1.14 billion from Monday's HK\$1.32 billion. The blue chip Hang Seng Index rose 36.18 points to close at the day's high of

5.700.59, having movedin a 43-point range all day. A broker at Daiwa Securities said much of the buying was purely technical, in case some good news came out of imminent talks on the colony's new airport. "I could hardly see genuine investors taking positions today."

WALL STREET

Wharf raising £143m for Hong Kong office tower FROM REUTER IN HONG KONG

A HK\$2.2 billion (£143 million) loan for Wharf (Holdings) Ltd., partly for its local Gateway office tower project. is being diaced in the market.

The loan with Wardley Capital Ltd as co-ordinating arranger comprises two parts a HK\$1.2 billion eight-year, three-month construction loan and a HK\$1 billion five-year general corporate loan.

The project part, for building Gateway Towers in Tsimshatsui, Kowloon, was at Hongkong Interbank Offered Rate (Hibor) plus 1.125 per cent with the office buildings as collateral. The construction

loan will carry a grace period of 30 months, bankers said.

The corporate part, which has been lowered from an planned HK\$1.3 billion due to difficulties in finding enough underwriters, has annual interest of 70 points over Hibor.

Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corp. WestLB Asia Ltd. Yatsuda Trust and Commerzbank AG were underwriters of the corporate part. The construction part was underwritten by Hongkong Bank, Hang Seng Bank, Chase Manhattan Bank and Mitsubishi Bank.

British Steel falls to new low as German slow-down hits prices

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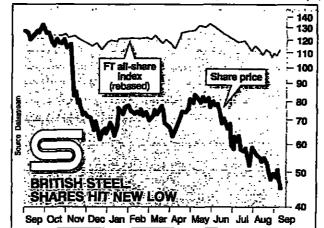
SHARES of British Steel fell another 3p to a new low of 462p as several large lines of stock came on offer. Analysts came away from a meeting with the company this week in a gloomy mood and immediately began downgrading profit forecasts. The company is said to have had little positive news for the City and, if anything, conditions are deteriorating.

Kleinwort Benson has doubled its forecast of pre-tax losses for the current year to between £100 million and £200 million. British Steel's interim dividend was cut and the odds on a reduction in the final payout are shortening. The company remains in the grip of recession and there are no signs of recovery. Even ginning to buckle, depressed by the economic slow-down in Germany.

The rest of the equity market saw the gains of recent days wiped out as the foreign exchange market suffered another bout of volatility. An increase in Swedish interest rates, the decision of the Finnish central bank to float the markka within the Exchange Rate Mechanism and renewed dollar weakness wor-

ried the currency markets.

The FT-SE 100 index suffered a turnround of more than 50 points as an early lead of almost 17 points gave way to a fall of 34.5, to 2,337.7, by the close. An opening loss on Wall Street after the extended weekend break and further nervousness about the French vote on Maastricht left prices



near their lows for the day. Only 411 million shares were

Racal Electronics slipped 3 p to 65p after giving an allday presentation for analysts demerger of its Chubb security company's own broker, Cazenove, had downgraded its profit estimates.

Ĥillsdown Holdings clawed back an initial 4p fall to finish 2p better at 106p — a two-day gain of 8p. The initial mark-down was in response to

ICI suffered from a late bout of nerves with the price falling 28p to £10.62. Whispers circulating within the Square Mile suggested County NatWest, the broker, is on the verge of publishing a bearish report highlighting a further decline in trading prospects because of the recession. County is already forecasting a drop in pre-tax profits this year from £843 million to £725 million.

side later this year. Pearson, the publishing to merchant banking group, remained depressed in the wake of disap-pointing half-year figures last week, losing a further 17p to 302p. The shares have now fallen 10 per cent in the past few days. Another publisher. Reed International, lost 10p to 501p amid claims that the

the group's latest £50 million acquisition. Half-year figures due out today are expected to show pre-tax profits un-changed at £77 million.

Fisons fell 9p to 165p after reporting a sharp drop in half-year profits, from £95.2 mil-lion to £40.4 million. The withdrawal from America of Opticrom, the company's eye

feron, its pick-me-up drug, was largely responsible for the slump in the pharmaceutical division's profits by two-thirds to £23 million. Patrick Egan, the chairman, said it would be a year before there was any George Wimpey, the house-

builder, fell 3p to 74p after diving £7.2 million into the red at the half-way stage. (There was a profit of £200,000 last time.) The interim dividend has also been halved. The group's performance was worse than most analysts had forecast. There is no sign of an upturn in the housing market and Sir Clifford Chetwood, chairman, says a recovery this year is increasingly unlikely. Ana-lysts are cutting profit estimates for the full year.
Estates & General, the

property developer, tumbled 8p to 19p after half-year losses of £9.35 million, against a profit last time of £1.1 million. There is no payout.

Shares of Mowat, the USMquoted leisure company, were suspended at 2½p pending clarification of the company's financial position.

Rolls-Royce firmed 3p to 127p after its joint venture with BMW clinched a \$500 million deal to supply Gulfstream Aerospace with engines. But British Aero-space lost 11p at 208p. Farnborough Air Show has, so far, failed to generate the big orders usually announced

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GOVERNMENT securities had some success in resisting the latest bout of volatility on the foreign exchange market. Prices closed with only small losses on the day.

A decision by the Finnish central bank to allow the markka to float within the Exchange Rate Mechanism combined with a sharp increase in Swedish interest rates and renewed dollar weakness to put the pound under pressure again. Most brokers, however, took the view that with the

pound continuing to trade comfortably above \$2, there was little cause for panic. As a result, prices softened. The Long Gilt future eased a couple of ticks to £9627/32. At the longer end. Treasury 9 per cent 2008 ended almost £½ cheaper at £1001/16. Some

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Wimpey prepares for a long night

s so often with elder corporate statesmen, Sir Clifford Chetwood's outpourings over the economy, in which he claimed the building recession would last at least another three years unless unspecified action was taken, diverted attention from the actual performance of George Wimpey. Whether this verbal smoke-screen was deliberate or accidental, we shall probably not discover until next March, when the preliminary figures are published and the market can judge whether the relatively modest first-half loss was a true indicator of the group's fortunes.

Much was left unsaid as the company temporarily abandoned the "openness" that it embraced for the first time in March. A detailed breakdown is promised again for next year, but shareholders can feel aggrieved with a company that refuses to explain the full impact of a recession that its own chairman had gone to such lengths to amplify. His macro gloom can best be seen as an explanation of the board's decision to halve the dividend.

Wimpey is keen to draw attention to the improvement in its balance sheet, claiming that, by the end of the year, it could be three-quarters of the way towards its target of raising \$400 million through disposals. Yet £300 million of disposals were highlighted back in March. Since then, things have clearly been a little quiet. After banking the £110 million sale proceeds from a half stake in the Little Britain office block, Wimpey has at least cut its net debt since June, when it stood at £232 million.

Gearing by the year end will not be the 23 per cent that simple arithmetic suggests, but it should not be a lot higher unless the company runs into a real disaster on the value of its residential land bank, its investment properties or its share of the contract to build the Channel tunnel. Disasters apart, that suggests that Sir Clifford is right about one thing. Wimpey is one contracting group that will be around for the recovery. But as yesterday's figures showed — none more eloquently than the dwindling forward order book — there could be a long wait.

Aerospace blues

ar manufacturers are to be congratulated on cutting the prices of their main models. This realism at last alleviates to some extent the absurdity of turning their main relationship with customers at dealer level into an adversarial one. Sadly, it is one more embarrassment for British Aerospace, which has put profit margins above market share in its strategy for Rover, only to find that undone by the length of the recession in the domestic market. BAe has suffered equal embarrassment at the Farnborough Air Show, where it has had little to announce by the way of orders or about the future of its non-Airbus commercial aircraft businesses. The group is constrained ahead of its interim results in a couple of weeks' time but BAe followers in the City doubt whether John Cabill, the new chairman, will be able to clear the decks by then.

The best guess is that BAe will show only a small profit overall for the first six months of the year, assuming it does not make provisions or exceptional charges before resolving the future of the regional and executive aircraft businesses. Mr Cahill evidently sees the company's defence and Airbus wings, the st performers, as the core businesses. Most of the rest are likely to show losses: fairly modest at Rover but exaggerated, in the case of civil aircraft, by uncertainty over their future. Closure of the regional aircraft business will be expensive indeed if Mr Cabill fails to clinch a joint venture or sale. The 208p share price, compared with the 380p rights issue a year ago, bespeaks the folly of that inadequate exercise and the confidence-sapping events that have un-

Calling time on bitter beer orders that leave little cheer at the pub

One former member of the MMC believes the report into the brewing

industry has been

no less than a disaster, **Martin Waller** writes

n Aristotle's Politica, which attempts to establish the minimum functions that define the existence of the state, the sage lays down the dictum that a likely impossibility is always preferable to an unconvincing possibility. The phrase, in its original Greek, appears in the more prosaic surroundings of the March 1989 monopolies report into beer supply. It forms the conclusion to the note of dissent by Leif Mills, general secretary of the Bank-ing, Insurance and Finance Union, from the findings of the other four

members of the panel.

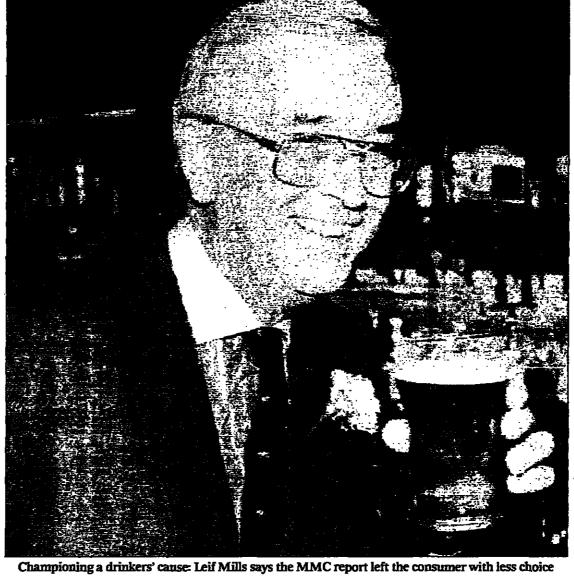
The MMC was looking into the strong control, seen by some as a stranglehold, that the big brewers exerted over an industry that accounts for 2 per cent of gross domestic product, and the extent that control stemmed from that peculiar institution, the British pub. Mr Mills' note of dissent, shorn of the higher philosophy, might best be summarised by two down-to-earth aphorisms: if it isn't broken, don't fix it, and, if you don't know how to fix it,

The commission's report, which gave rise to what are known as the beer orders, achieved the remarkable feat of attracting immediate criticism both from the beer barons, whose powers it was designed to curb and from the publicans in their thrall, in whose interests it aimed to act. Also unhappy were the unions and a fair number of the smaller brewers whose market positions it was intended to boost. The beer orders are due to be implemented by the end of next month to general dissatisfaction. Being wise after the event is always easy. One man who has the right to dissect earlier mistakes under the microscope of 20:20 hindsight is Mr Mills. He is in a position to do so, having last year stepped down from

the MMC after nine years.

The decision to require the sale of 22,000 pubs by the big brewers was probably the most radical move ever envisaged by an MMC report. The enquiry, initially intended to take two years, was extended by another six months because of the sheer weight of evidence. It triggered a £5 million advertising campaign by the brewers warning of the death of the British pub. But Lord Young, then trade secretary, gave the report immediate rushing to say that he was "minded to implement" the majority's main recommendations.

"That was a very silly thing to say," says Mr Mills now. "He should have had a cold, hard look at the whole thing first." The main conclusions were that no brewer should be allowed to own or lease more than 2,000 pubs. At the time, the three biggest estates, owned by Bass, Allied-Lyons and Whitbread, consist-



ed of 7,300, 6,600 and 6,500 properties respectively. In addition, tenants were to be given the freedom to take at least one brand of draught beer, the "guest beer" from someone other than the landlord, and other drinks from the most competitive suppliers. Tenants' leases were to be brought within the provisions of the 1954 Landlord and Tenant Act, giving them further security of tenure, and brewers were to publish fixed wholesale price lists. Were this not done, the report said, "we believe it inevitable that a small number of national brewers will increasingly dominate not only the manufacture of beer but also the wholesaling of beer and non-beer alcoholic and soft drinks, and will continue to dominate

beer retailing.' The response from the brewers was predictable. Half the country's small would disappear within five years, said the Brewers Society. The report was drawn up by "a lot of economists who have not spent any time in the industry and know nothing about what the beer-drinking public want," said its chairman, Anthony Fuller.

Mr Mills, while accepting that there was a "complex monopoly" dominating the British brewing industry, issued a warning that the

recommendations of the majority view were "far more drastic than is necessary" and could worsen the problem. "I consider that the recommendations are unnecessary and indeed could lead to a reduction of competition and less consumer choice," he wrote.

Both the forecasts of the majority and Mr Mills' minority prognostica-tion are worthy of repetition this year. because the intervening three years have seen just what Mr Mills feared, and the majority intended to avoid: a concentration of more capacity in the

r Mills agreed with the need to bring in the guest beer and to secure better protection for the tenant. But in a telling aside, he said the reduction of the big estates weries and thousands of jobs to 2,000 would not significantly increase the number of beers served in the nation's pubs, not least because the average pub lacks the necessary space to take more than perhaps a half a dozen brands. The 22,000 spare pubs to be sold would probably go to outside interests not already involved in the industry, he said, but they would themselves on the whole want to sell the highly advertised, highly profitable national brands.

They might countenance taking one locally produced or specialist real ale; but this could just as well be achieved by the guest beer rule. He also questioned the received wisdom that the vertical integration common in Britain, where a company owns production capacity, the distribution network and the outlets through which the product is sold, reinforces big brewers' ability to dominate the market. In America, for example, Anheuser Busch had 40 per cent of the market and the two biggest interests between them 60 per cent, yet brewers are legally not allowed to own the wholesaling and retailing end of the business. Mr Mills argued: "In most countries where there is no vertical integration there are fewer brewers than there are in this country."

The argument that the brewers in Britain use the geographical concentration of their pubs to manipulate the price of beer is one that falls apart on more mature consideration; the areas are few and far between where a brewer can own every pub and can charge what he wishes in the certainty that the drinker cannot go elsewhere. The buge difference between the price of a pint in, for example, the provinces and London have more to do with variations in costs such as

wages and property rents and rates. No brewer has anything like a dominant position in London. In July 1989, Lord Young backtracked, to claims from the Labour party that the government was guilty of "a craven and complete capitulation" to the brewers, the traditional bankrollers of the Conservative party. The brewers would have to sell, or lease free of the tie to take their product just half of those pubs they owned above the 2,000 limit. This cut the number of pubs that would have to be freed up from the big estates to 11,000, and also confirmed the big pub owners in their market predominance; any other brewer trying to expand in retailing would be held at or below the 2,000 limit, while the tied estate of Bass could still be 4,650.

Intervening events - the recession and the collapse in property prices have helped to derail the MMC's course of action for the industry. Pubs have not been sold by the big brewers as easily as the MMC anticipated. Some of the businesses that entered the market and bought part of the unwanted tied estate have quickly gone bust. Both factors have led to the closure of many of the marginal pubs.

comparison between the 1989 MMC report and its more recent look at the L proposed merger between Allied-Lyons' brewing interests and the British end of Denmark's Carlsberg is damning. In 1985, the last year for which the MMC could gather figures, Bass had 22.9 per cent of the beer market by produc-tion, Allied 12.8 per cent, Whitbread 11 per cent, Scottish & Newcastle 10.6 per cent, Grand Metropolitan 8.8 per cent and Courage 8.7 per cent. Aside for the dominance of Bass, this put the other five on reasonably equal pegging and left more than a quarter of the market in the hands of the independents.

Since then, three signficant regional brewers, Greenall Whitley, Boddingtons and Devenish, have pulled out of brewing entirely to concentrate on their pub estate. The MMC estimated this year that Allied and Carlsberg combined had 12 per cent of the ale market last year. Bass has retained 20 per cent, while S&N and Whitbread have 13 and 12 per cent respectively. The other two of the original big six. GrandMet and Courage, have merged their brewing businesses to take 20 per cent and

joint market leadership.

The big brewers, as initially consti tuted, have raised their share to 77 per cent. The latest study said less than a third of eligible pubs stocked a guest beer, as they were now allowed, and a third of these took that beer from the brewer to which they were tied. Meanwhile, the price of beer has shown no sign of subsiding under the supposed onslaught of free competition in a deregulated industry. Instead, according to the Campaign for Real Ale, pub prices for beer rose 17 per cent more than inflation in the past three years.

"The MMC report was a disaster," says Mr Mills. "There are fewer pubs, higher prices, less consumer choice and less competition." That is a conclusion few drinkers propping up

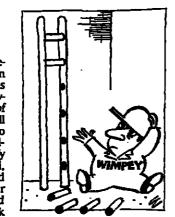
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Well out of it

LORD (Cecil) Parkinson, declaring "I am a businessman now," reveals that he has taken personal stakes in sev-eral companies, at least two of them publicly quoted, and will become chairman of the two in question next year. Although he declines to identify the companies concerned, Parkinson, looking fitter and more relaxed than he has for years — and looking forward to the publication of his book Right at the Centre in October - accepts that the outlook for business is not going to be easy. "The economy is in a very bad way, everything about it is extremely serious," he says. "On the one hand our biggest customer is weakening its currency and on the other we are bound by the constraints of the ERM. These are very, very difficult times for Britain and for the govern-ment." Parkinson, who has faced his fair share of difficulties over the years, then quipped: "If ever 1 feel depressed or sorry for myself I think about Norman Lamont and then I feel better - he is facing a most difficult time."

Journey to Mars

THE chill wind of change continues to blow through Nomura, the Japanese securities firm, with two more of its analysts resigning yesterday. Chemicals analyst Richard Henderson and oil analyst Alan "Lanky" Marshall - 6ft 5ins tall - have accepted an offer from another firm with a busy revolving door, Swiss



Bank Corporation. Their departure comes less than a week after the resignation of European banking specialist Rob-ert Grant, who has left Nomura to join UBS Phillips & Drew. Jim O'Neill, head of SBC's research department. describes the recruitment of Henderson and Marshall as the second stage in the firm's plan to "rebuild and hopefully redefine" the department "in a way we think European equity research should be done". O'Neill said the first stage was the recruitment of David Mars, from Warburg as head of European equity research in May. "The next stage is to hire the analysts to support him and these two are the first."

Singles bar

A business centre in a converted nunnery alongside a Catholic church on London's Fulham Road is acquiring something of a reputation for its mysterious match-making powers. Since business manager Gail Wassarman joined the Chelsea Chambers Busi-

ness Centre a few months ago, half of the female workforce employed by one of its resident companies have married or become engaged. With three marriages already celebrated, Wassarman says she wonders "if the spirits of the nunnery are making up for lost time". The centre has just become part of the Zurich-led World Wide Business Centre Network Europe but Wassarman says she is now thinking of marketing it as an introduc-tory service. "Unfortunately, the magic hasn't yet worked for me," she says. Still single, and at 24, Wassarman agrees. however, there is still time.

Battle cry

CITY dealers were calling old chums yesterday and tipping them off to "mind your eye" — an old stock market expression, used when a price sensitive announcement is imminent - in ICI shares. Their interest was triggered when ICI shares fell 10p on the day

Stars and lights

THE fairy lights that bedeck Harrods will be changing colour tonight for the first time since their installation 33 years ago. To mark a twomonth promotion of American goods — taking advantage of recent exchange rate fluctuations - US ambassador Raymond Seitz will flick a switch at 7.45pm, turning the 5,500 white light bulbs on the front wall of the building into an assortment of red, white

Market forces and boardroom fees From Mr E. R. Goodwin

Sir, At the recent AGM of Eastern Electricity a very interesting suggestion was made by one of the shareholders when it came to re-electing directors. In response to the comment about the high level of remuneration paid to directors, the chairman gave the usual reply that a remuneration panel set the level of pay and in order to attract and keep high-quality people sala-ries had to keep up with the market. And the trap was sprung. "Fine," said the ques-tioner, "but let the market determine the level by offering them 10 per cent less in salary if they wished to remain as directors. If they think that this is unacceptable let them see whether they can obtain comparable posts elsewhere at their age in this time of recession and high job compe-

Bank charges

From Mr C. J. B. Brett Sir, Your interesting report on tonishing assertions by John Cheese, of Bardays Bank. May I, as a satisfied customer of one of his competitors for

CAROL LEONARD charges were re-introduced people would prefer a fixed

tition." Panic, panic, panic.
"We will take the suggestion into consideration."

The point was made that many of these directors circulate from one company to another, forming a cosy little club, actually setting the "market" level of salaries themselves.

If the various chairmen are claiming to be independent of remuneration considerations and are acting only in the interests of the company and shareholders, why do they not take advantage of market conditions and reduce boardroom costs in the same way that they would take advantage of any other commercial situation? Food for thought. Yours faithfully. EARL GOODWIN,

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charge. This would mean that

those making modest de-mands would be subsidising

heavy users of the bank's ser-

vices. If consistent in his argu-

ments he should oppose this. It is a mistake to speak of

charges being re-introduced.

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as free banking, a myth which

they now seek to abolish as an

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upon those who have never

before had to bear such.

Yours faithfully,

CHARLES BRETT.

bank account charges (September 2) contains some asabout 60 years, rebut some of

his assertions.

The so-called free banking is not really free. I estimate that my credit balance yields a profit to the bank of about 25p per transaction. In addition, the banks undoubtedly attract fees from the business recipients of my payments, ultimately reflected in their charges to me. Admittedly, I fare better than those not in credit, who pay 50p per transaction, but I do not accept that I am receiving a free subsidised service.

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Weighing up the pros and cons of mathematics

From Mr Owen Curtis Sir, Reading that Rosie Hann is going to become a teacher of mathematics (City Diary, Auarithmetic versus mathegust 24) made me question if parents are aware how arithmetic and calculations

abstract and esoteric mathematics. In the last century, English

Latin took priority.

I see a similar trend in

Decision making is important and could be related to number operations, but there are no words in the language to describe this activity.

Some time ago, I discovered that none of a large group of

guages in schools suffered as students knew the weight of a large loaf or realized that a small loaf was half its weight. How many smokers know the weight of a cigarette or how

the duty is calculated. That might affect decisions. Best wishes, OWEN CURTIS,

53 Victoria Avenue, Humberside.

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Dating from the early 1800s: Old Drapery Stores



Renovated: Blue Bell and Riverside Restaurant



Shut, now for sale: Scuppers Restaurant and Wine Bar



Early sale: Tudor Cottage Restaurant and Tea Rooms

Bargains under the hammer becoming increasingly available for the brave and the astute. The recession that has hit retail premises. restaurants and other leisure opera-

tions is bringing property on to the market at bargain prices. Breweries are having to sell premises because of a Monopolies and Mergers Commission enquiry, so more licensed premises are now

Christie & Co, the auctioneer, has put a record 30 properties into the sale it is holding at the Kensington Hilton in London tomorrow. Although some deals will be done privately before the auction, a variety of properties

will be for sale. Among tomorrow's more romantically styled properties is the Old Drapery Stores Hotel and Restaurant at Middle Wallop, Hampshire. This property is on the A343 between Andover and Salisbury. Winchester is only 12 miles away and Southampton 15.

The building is understood to date from the early 1800s and was originally a draper's. The counter is now used as a bar servery. The

on offer, it has a drinks licence. The store, which is listed grade II and is believed to date back to 1730, has adjoining property was recently acquired and converted into a three-bedroom cottage for the own-

ers. A lawn runs down to the Wallop brook, a trout water. One property that has been sold before the auction is the Tudor Cottage Restaurant and Tea Rooms at Petworth, West Sussex.

The mortgagees always prefer to sell a business as a going concern'

about 15 miles from Chichester. The building is listed grade II and is part-timbered with a clay-tiled roof. The property has already ceased trading as a restaurant. Another business that has ceased trading is the stores at Minchinhampton, Gloucester-

shire. Like many of the properties

heavy bearned ceilings and exposed stone walls.

Hemington Court Hotel and Restaurant in Leicestershire is being sold by the mortgagees after ceasing trading. The mortgagees

are also seeking buyers for a newsagent's, confectioner's and tobacconist's shop in Lincoln, the Sunrup cash-and-carry in Pinner, Middlesex, the Hare and Hounds free house in Harlow, Essex, and Sullivan's restaurant in West Cowes, Isle of Wight.

Scuppers Restaurant and Wine Bar at Cowling in the Aire Valley, North Yorkshire, is a closed threestorey detached property in the auction. It has seating for 50.

Properties offered by mortgagees or receivers have not necessarily ceased trading. Paul Simpson, at Christie's auction division, says:

because it commands a higher value. Sometimes the mortgagor will continue running the business on behalf of the mortgagee so that it can be sold as a going concern." He says the number of businesses

being auctioned because they have failed has increased. Mr Simpson says: "Sometimes the owner does a numer. The condition of the premises varies and the prices achieved reflect the

circumstances. For those properties that have ceased trading, it is possible to buy at bargain prices." In contrast, some premises are in particularly attractive condition. The Blue Bell and Riverside Res-

berside, has been renovated to a high standard and can seat 80. The New Saagar Tandoori Res-taurant at Harefield, Middlesex, ceased trading at the end of June but the decor and furnishings are of

taurant at Driffield, north Hum-

"The mortgagees will always prefer a high standard and would suit any to sell a business as a going concern style of operation. The premises style of operation. The premises include searing for 50 and fourbedroom accommodation for the

> However bad the recession, there are apparently many potential buyers who believe they can succeed where others failed. Mr Simpson says: "Where people bought at the height of the market the business may have been per-forming quite well but the problem has been servicing the debt. We have many clients who buy businesses that have ceased trading, build them up and come back

to us to sell them as going concerns three or four years later." He stresses that potential buyers should do their homework thoroughly. Because the highest bidder legally committed to the purchase when the hammer falls, he says buyers should ensure that finance is

in place, that a full structural survey

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has been carried out and profes sional advice taken. Buyers should also check whether a drinks licence is transferable to them. Premises can be inspected by prior arrangement and parties of buyers are taken round when there is sufficient demand.

Those unable to attend a London

We hope purchasers will bid in the room as this is where the real bargains are'

> auction can arrange to bid by telephone from any Christie office at 48 hours' notice.

> Mr Simpson says: "While many lots are sold prior to auction, we are hoping that purchasers will have the confidence to bid in the room as this is where the real bargains are to

However, an offer in advance can be worth making. Particularly in the case of a forced sale, a vendor may prefer to accept a definite offer rather than take a chance at the auction. Although reserve prices are normally not disclosed to bidders, an auctioneer will usually give a guide price. The decision on whether to accept is the vendor's not the auctioneer's.

One of the more ambitious projects in tomorrow's sale is the Belmont Lodge Hotel, Golf and Country Club, near Hereford, The lodge is in an elevated position above the river Wye and several of the fairways run

parallel to the river. The house a Georgian grade II listed stone and tile building, was built in 1788 by James Wyatt. Part is in need of renovation and has struc-tural defects. The lodge has

30 bedrooms with en suite bathrooms constructed in 1988 and the professional golf shop is of timber frame under a slate roof.

Although the property is being sold on the instructions of the joint administrative receivers, Mr Simpson is confident of reaching more than El million.

ffice rents are now falling outside the London area, while the development of new offices in the capital's oversupplied market is tailing off, according to two surveys, Rodney Hobson writes. Debenham Tewson &

Chinnocks says the potent combination of high availability and severe shortages of finance for speculative development has brought reality to the central London market.

The report says that in the past year developers of proposed London schemes have removed more than 20 million sq ft of space from their programmes. Developers are appreciating that many schemes, often with existing planning permission, will not

director, says: "This is particularly true at the top end of the market in terms of size. More than half the 65 schemes we examined of 50,000 sq ft and over, which were previously due for completion by the end of 1995.

Case of the vanishing office blocks

Rent slump forces speculators to rethink their development plans

have now been delayed indefinitely. These amounted to a total development potential of

about six million sq ft." Another third of the potential floorspace analysed has ments. The level of develop-1995. Only 11 per cent, 1.3 million sq ft. still has a

half of this decade. Philip Gray, the marketing director for the West End division, says: "Clearly the development tap has now

completion date in the first

been turned off, although it may prove that in parts of the West End market developers have over-reacted, particular-

ly for the larger developthe mid 1990s suggests that shortages of quality new accommodation could appear in certain segments of the central market within the

"Many developers, however, will not be able to react is under offer.

quickly enough because of funding problems."
Evidence of falling rents

and increasing incentive packages spreading from the South-east to regional centres comes from Weatherall Green & Smith. The average decline in rents for the 40 office locations surveyed in the year to March was 8.5 per cent, against 4.5 per cent in the year to September 1991. Weatherall says there has

since March except in The survey says the wide variations in headline rents reflects the package of incentives behind individual deals

been little rental movement

rather than location. lthough incentives are available outside the been limited because there is less oversupply. Weatherall says there is a shortage of new

space in the centres of

Birmingham and Manchestwas established, and rents in er. About half of all new The cost differential bevacant space in Birmingham tween London and the re-

are signs of a decrease in the age by up to 7 per cent in the Midlands and in the Southnumber of businesses considering decentralising. Existing west. In Liverpool, however, a prime rent of £12.50 a sq ft leases are difficult to dispose of and the depressed housing market makes it difficult for employees to move without

A healthy future CHARTWELL Heritage, in conjunction with Salisbury

Health Authority, has submit-ted detailed plans for the regeneration of the 4.65 acre General infirmary site in the centre of Salisbury.

The proposals are for a mixed development of offices, residental and retail units. The hospital itself will be restored to its original design of the late 1800s and refurbished to provide three selfcontained office suites.

☐ The Mid Dorset Golf Club, Forum, is being sold by Humberts Leisure on the instructions of receivers. The guide price is £1.75 million, but separate offers will be considered for the 18-hole course, 40 acres of land and a thatched farm house with a seven-acre

☐ Northgate House, Coichester, has been let to Customs and Excise by the British Coal Pension Fund.

☐ The freehold of 24-28 Bloomsbury Way, central London, has been bought for French institutional funds for just over £11 million.

☐ B&Q, the DIY chain, is to build a 45,000 sq ft store with a garden centre on part of the former Wandsworth gas work site in south London.

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Lightly-raced Lochsong fits the Portland bill

LOCHSONG is napped to give Willie Carson a second successive winning ride in the Tote-Portland Handicap at Doncaster today following Sarcita's victory 12 months

Unlike many of her rivals, Lochsong has not been subjected to a busy campaign. today's race being only her

fifth of the season. Either side of finishing fourth in the Wokingham Stakes at Royal Ascot, she gained valuable handicap victories at York and in the Stewards' Cup at Goodwood.

Now Ian Balding reports Lochsong in the pink of condition and poised to do herself justice from stall 16, which I regard as a perfect draw seven off the stands rails.

Never So Sure was a good winner at York last week but I find it hard to envisage him following up now that his weight has been increased to 9st 8lb by a 10lb penalty.

Paddy Chalk could be a tougher nut to crack with only 8st olb. Like Lochsong, he was successful at the big Goodwood meeting and has been admirably consistent this MICHAEL PHILLIPS

In going for Paris House to win the Doncaster Bloodstock Sales Scarbrough Stakes, I am optimistic that the visor he will be wearing for the first time will sharpen up.

Even without a visor, Paris House was not disgraced when sixth in last month's Nunthorpe Stakes at York and he now returns to the scene of his Flying Childers Stakes triumph 12 months ago.

Those who fancy User Friendly to win the St Leger on Saturday will be looking to Bineyah, Guilty Secret and Niodini to run well in the A F Budge Park Hill Stakes. For they were the three who chased User Friendly home in the Yorkshire Oaks last month.

As they were separated by only a short head and a neck on the Knavesmire, much will now depend on how they have progressed in the meantime. My own feeling is that it goes against the grain to oppose Bineyah since that run at York was not a flash in the pan - she had previously finished a creditable fourth behind User Friendly in the Irish Oaks.

In Niodini, Michael Stoute certainly has a strong second string to his bow because she accounted for Shirley Valentine, among others, when she won the Lancashire Oaks at Haydock in July, having finished second to User Friendly in the Oaks trial at Lingfield much earlier in the season. Always Friendly looks the

Newton's Law, the only mempick of the older horses in ber of the field not to have today's field, having finished a won, has since finished second to the highly-rated Irish colt Fatherland in a group three race at the Curragh. The hard core of Self Assured's opposition should

> tackles this group three race instead of the EBF Fillies Nursery Handicap at the start of today's card. In her absence, that race can go to the John Hills-trained Fairy Story, who successfully ploughed a lone furrow up the far rail at Lingfield 13 days ago to win a similar event in

admirable style.

comprise Marillette, who is

also owned by Shaikh Mo-

hammed, and Katiba, who

two Prix de Pomone at Deau-

Henry Cecil has decided to

rely upon Self Assured in an

attempt to win the May Hill

Stakes for the seventh time in

nine years. Having finished a

close third behind Woodchat

and Salatin in the Acomb

Stakes at York last time. Self

Assured clearly has the ability.

contested by seven previous winners, the form looks solid.

As that race at York was

ville last time.

Macready warning over BHB

ONE of the inspirations behind the new British Horseracing Board (BHB) has warned that it could fail if not served by the "right kind of people."

The BHB is due to take over the management of the racing industry from the Jockey Club early next year. But the chairman of the Horseracing Advisory Council (FIAC), Sir Nevil Macready, sounds a cautionary note in his annual report.

While agreeing that the concept had been well received, Sir Nevil warns: "The success of the enterprise depends crucially on the right kind of people being elected to the BHB by the Raceborse Owners' Association, Racecourse Association and HAC.

"If they are people mainly concerned with their own sectional interests, it will fail disastrously. But, if they are people with the breadth of vision to understand the longterm interests of racing as a whole, then British horseracing has the chance to enter a new era of prosperity."
The BHB will comprise 11

members — four from the Jockey Club, two each from the RCA and ROA, and three from the HAC.

Appetising fare on menu for Sunday

By Michael Seely

THE prospect of a thrilling meeting between St Jovite and Rodrigo De Triano in Ireland on Sunday became more likely yesterday when Peter Chapple-Hyam said that Robert Sangster's Juddmonte International Stakes winner was likely to be supplemented for the Irish Champion Stakes.

The decision to pay Ir£18,500 in late entry fees has to be taken by 10.30 this morning. "I am going to discuss it with the owner," Chapple-Hyam said. "I'm very keen for Rodrigo to run. He's very well and it would be an ideal race for him." St Jovite is currently 11-10

favourite for the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe after his brilliant wins in the Irish Derby and King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes. Rodrigo De Triano is the second top-rated three-year-old in Europe after his wins in the English and Irish 2,000

Guineas as well as in York's

group one test. So a meeting between the pair over ten furlongs should certainly set the turnstiles clicking. depend on the state of the

The final decision will still going, currently good, "If it's yielding or soft, Dr Devious

would be the stable runner." Chapple-Hyam said. "In that event, Rodrigo would be kept in reserve for the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes. But if Rodrigo runs, Dr Devious will go straight for the Arc without

To add spice to an already mouth-watering prospect, Michael Kauntze confirmed that his Eclipse Stakes winner Kooyonga is almost certain to run following satisfactory blood test results.

At Doncaster, as blustery winds were continuing to dry out Town Moor, conditions were turning in favour of Bonny Scot and Rain Rider, and against User Friendly.

Yesterday, Clive Brittain issued a warning to prospective backers of the 6-4 favourite. Although I've only entered her in the Prix Vermeille on Sunday as a precautionary measure, she could still be withdrawn from the Leger if the ground becomes firm. But we are very keen to run and she'd be all right on good."

Giving the latest state of play, John Sanderson, clerk of the course, said: "The going is on the fast side of good. I don't intend to water again unless it looks like becoming firm."

RUGBY UNION

Deal will help to upgrade Stoop

By DAVID HANDS RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

RUGBY union's ability to attract financial support, even in such a difficult economic climate, was amply illustrated yesterday when Harlequins announced one of the biggest sponsorships in the English dub game.

Flowers Original, an off-shoot of the Whitbread beer company, which already sponsors the Heineken League in Wales and the annual awards ceremony, will provide £350,000 in sponsorship and support services over the next four seasons. Added to a three-year agreement with Canterbury, the New Zealandbased kit manufacturers, it represents a healthy start to

the season for Harlequins. Roger Looker, the chair-man, said the money would be spent on upgrading facilities for spectators at the Stoop Memorial ground. "We recognise we have a long way to go towards what we consider to be adequate facilities, particularly if we sustain our growth." he said. As well as a membership of nearly 2,000, Harlequins have a supporters club

of nearly 800. Their announcement will be music to the ears of Mike Reynolds, the Courage marketing director, who appealed at the start of the season for improved provision for spectators by leading clubs. Harlequins begin their Courage Clubs Championship campaign on September 19 against Bath, the champions, and will be without as many as six of last season's internationals if David Pears joins Peter Winterbottom and Jason Leonard on the casualty list. Simon Halliday and Paul Ackford have retired and Mickey Skinner has moved to

Blackheath. Jamie Salmon, their director of coaching, shrugged off the mixed reaction that has been given to the revised laws. "We can't do anything about them so we will make the most of them," he said. "We have some exciting backs and it's important for their confidence

we make the most of them."

However, Salmon resents the Rugby Football Union restriction on replacements. which remains at two despite the International Rugby Football Board giving permission for a maximum of four. "I hoped we could add two volungsters to our bench who could travel with the first team and become accustomed to preparation for big matches, learn how to handle the pressures leading players come under now," he said.

☐ Krasny-yar, the CIS champions, will arrive from Siberia on Sunday for a four-match tour of Scotland, their first visit to Britain. They play Kirkaldy, on September 14. Boroughmuir and Dunlermline on September 16 and 17, and Currie, on September 19.

BASEBALL

Stottlemyre and Jays given boost

By ROBERT KIRLEY

TODD Stottlemyre, the Toronto Blue Jays pitcher, is growing to like Ed Sprague, a seldom-used carcher. On Sunday. Sprague hit a three-run home run in a four-run seventh inning to lift the Jays and Stottlernyre to a 4-2 victory and a three-game sweep of the Minnesota Twins.

Sprague has been the catcher for Stottlemyre's last three starts, all victories. Toronto, leaders of the American League East, have won three successive games and eight of their last 11. The Oakland A's, leaders of

the American League West, traded the outfielder. Jose Canseco, one of the biggest names in the sport, to the alsoran Texas Rangers for the outfielder. Ruben Sierra, the right-handed pitchers, Jeff Russell and Bobby Witt, and an undisclosed sum of money. Canseco, 28, was the American League rookie of the year in 1986 and the most-valuable player in 1988. He accompanied Oakland to the World Series in 1988, 1989 and 1990 and leads the major

leagues in home runs over the past seven years with 231. This year, however, back and shoulder problems have limited him to a .246 batting average with 22 home runs and 72 runs batted in. He was in the second year of a five-year, \$23.5 million contract.

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| 220 | (1.) | 425-000 | MFTY RFTY 21 (F.S.) (Ars. N. Peebles) J Berry 3-8-4 | 0 |
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| 722 | (11) | 001201 | GONE SAVAGE 18 (F.S) (R Ascarl) G Baking 4-8-2 | - |
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| BIT OF A CARR hear CANTORUS (degualment and placed tast) (same terms) a neck in a handscap at Handsca on permittings start (s) model to soft), with GPSY FIDULER (s)th better off) around 2: 5th, LUCEDEO (5th better off) around 2: 5th, STACK ROCk (4th better off) all stand 2:-19 th, STACK ROCk (4th better off) all 1:5th NEVER SO SURE complotath; best end) all 15th NEVER SO SURE complotath; best end) all 15th NEVER SO SURE complotath; but feels whoster 2:94 in a 16-surant handscap at York (6t good) Previously, around his and of 1:11 in So Rhydmical in a handscap at Goodwind (6t good to soft), with HEATHER BANK (12th better off) 1:41 5th and WALK in The PARK (12th better off) 1:41 5th and WALK in The PARK (12th better off) 1:41 5th and WALK in The PARK (12th better off) 1:41 5th and WALK in The PARK (12th better off) 1:41 5th and WALK in The PARK (12th better off) 1:41 5th and WALK in The PARK (12th better off) 1:41 5th and WALK in The PARK (12th better off) 1:41 5th and WALK in The PARK (12th better off) 1:41 5th and WALK in The PARK (12th better off) 1:41 5th and WALK in The PARK (12th better off) 1:41 5th and WALK in The PARK (12th better off) 1:41 5th and WALK in The PARK (13th better off) 1:41 5th and WALK in The PARK (13th better off) 1:41 5th and WALK in The PARK (13th better off) 1:41 5th and WALK in The PARK (13th better off) 1:41 5th and WALK in The PARK (13th better off) 1:41 5th and WALK in The PARK (13th better off) 1:41 5th and WALK in The PARK (13th better off) 1:41 5th and WALK in The PARK (13th better off) 1:41 5th and 1:41 5th and 1:41 5th better off) 1:41 5th and | good), with PLAM FACT (9th better off 3941 II and CUFTON CHARLE and ORTHORHOMBI splenis of 151 behind LOCHSONG best Deploted in the 30-miner Stewards Cup at Soudies (67, poor), with HEATHER BAMK (88) better of around 194 vin. TAUFAN BLU (58) better of around 194 vin. TAUFAN BLU (58) better of 317 in. BEAU VENTINE 1919. DRIFFORHOMBI 20rd and CLIFTON CHARLE 20th FAMESO copieted a double when housing PLAN FACT (3 better off 194 in a 7-miner bending at Ripon in penulturate start (51, fam), GONE SAVAGE by Absolutionations Girl a short head in a 14-min handicap at Sandyam (51, good to soit). Selection LOCHSONIC (nep) |
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3.10 DONCASTER BLOODSTOCK SALES SCARBROUGH C4 STAKES (Listed race: £11,160: 5f) (12 runners) (5) 120506 PARIS HOUSE 20 (V.CD.F.G.S) (P Chandler) J Barry 3-9-12. (6) 100100 MEDALLE D'OR 20 (V.D.F.G.S) (J Borral) J Pape 4-9-11

Balding: has not given

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| 11) | 101704 | VIGEROY 32 (V.D.F.G) (F General) B Bassley 5-9-8 R Cochrane |
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| (9) | 2-32020 | BLYTON LAD 20 (CD,F,G) (Mrs J Addleston) M Correcto 6-9-7 S Webster |
| (6) | 242000 | NOTILEY 12 (B,CD,F,G,S) (O Cock) R Hanson 5-9-7 |
| (3) | 0 - 43060 | FARFELU 20 (8.0.F.6) (J O'Nankoy) W Mart 5-9-4 |
| 103 | 411-060 | REGAL SCINTILLA 61 (D.F.5) (Theo Waddington Ltd) G Baiding 3-9-3 S Cauthen |
| (4) | 3-00006 | MASTER OF PASSION 42 (V.D.F.G) (Mrs M Name) J Easters 3-9 2 L Piggott |
| (1) | 402501 | HARVEST GPL 4 (6) (G Pritchard-Gordon) 6 Philipperi-Gordon 3-9-1 L Decori |
| (2) | 35-229 l | SECA-CISA 42 (0.8) (Aktridge Racing Ltd) M Chennon 3-9-1 |
| m | 31 | SOVERBIGH GRACE 20 (D,G) (Lady Cappe) J Buns (ire) 3-9-1 |
| Ö | | RESK ME'S GIFL 9 (8.0.G) (Rotokale Ltd) R Harmon 2-7-7 |
| - a | .1 Aletso i | ad, Harvest Girl. Paris House, Vicercy, 7-1 Fadein, Notiny, 10-1 Sitcs-Cisa, 14-1 Med |
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1991: NOTLEY 4-9-8 B Raymond (5-1) R Hapmon 13 ran FORM FOCUSes

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| PARIS HOUSE around 51 6th of 11 to 1; in the-group I Norshope States at York Smit), with FARFELLI (14th better off) \$1 6th PARFELS GARL (8th better off) \$1 6th PARFELS GARL (8th better off) \$1 5th PARFELS GARL (8th PARFELS GARL \$1 5th PARFELS GARL \$1 5th PARFELS GARL \$1 5th PARFELS PARFELS GARL \$1 5th PARFELS GARL \$1 5th PARFELS GARL \$1 5th PARFELS PARFELS GARL \$1 5th PARF | (5), good in) 1% J 7th, MEDAILLE N LAD (8) Io Bil Of A at (5), good an Freddie |
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3.40 A F BUDGE PARK HILL STAKES (Group III: fillies & mares: £24,693; 1m 6f 132yd) (12 runners)

BETTNIB: 7-2 Brough, 5-1 Guilly Secret, Kindini, 11-2 Always Friendly, 10-1 Azuz, O' Saony, Yilda, 12-1 Albas Point, 16-1 Agrandarine, Magnillaumi Star, 33-1 Shahaamin, 66-1 Bustinetta.

1991: PATRICIA 3-8-8 S Cauten (11-8 tar) H Cecil 17 cm -FORM FOCUS

| ALWAYS FRIENDLY 1'si 3rd of 9 to Magic Night in the going in Prix de Pomono at Deauséis (im 51 10 yd., cot), with MAGINFOENT STAR (5th worse of) a poor 7 in. NEBBS POINT 6'si 4th of 7 to Further Flight in a felsed rice at York (2m, good). ARMA OF SAXONY Nead 2nd of 9 to Garden District in a handleary at Goodwood (1m 61, good as 6km). BRIEYAM 2'si 2nd of 8 to User Frenchy in like |
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group I Yorkshire Oaks at York (1m 4f, good to family, with GURLTY SECRET (same terms) a short-head 3rd, MEDOBHI (same terms) a short-head 3rd, MEDOBHI (same terms) a neek 4th and MAGNIFICENT STAR a poor 8m. NIODHII best Arnasaman 1741 in the 111-hauner group B Lancastire Casis at Haydock on penaltimate stant (1m 4f, pood to 50th, with SHIRLEY VALENTINE (same terms) 3th.

Selection: ALWAYS FRIENDLY

| | 4.10 | MAY (| HILL STAKES | C4 | |
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| | (Group | II: 2-Y-C | fillies: £16,236: 1m md) (12 runfers) - | - | |
| ı | 501 (11) | | ABURY 19 (F) (R Sangster) P Chapple-Hyaro 8-8 | Paul Eddery | 75 |
| | 502 (6) 503 (9) | | BOBBIE DEE 12 (Mrs N Dudield) D Elsworth 8-8 | J wromans | 75 |
| | 504 (2 | 1366 | EAST LIBERTY 18 (F) (P Mellon) Balding 8-8 | R Cochrane | 86 |
| | 505 (6) 506 (4) | | RANKA 46 (BF.F) (A Sacot) C Britan 8-8 | M Roberts | 85 |
| | 506 (4) 507 (7) | | MARILETTE 22 (BF.F.S) (Sheliki Michesamed) J Gosden 8-8 | Pat Eddiesy | ã |
| ĺ | 506 (10) | ì | NANNY MARGARET (P Kellensy) P Kellensy 8-8 | | = |
| | 509 (3) 510 (1) | | NEMEA 19 (B Nedsen) J Fanchave 8-8 | | |
| | 511 (8) | 213 | SELF ASSURED 22 (F) (Straith Motumment) H Cetal 8-8 | _ S Cauthen | 90 |
| | 512 (12) | | SOCIETY LADY 5 (Sighth Ahmed Al Maktoum) A Scott 8-8 | | |
| | Dec. 14-1 | | tured, 7-2 Marifetta, 5-1 Nessea, 5-1 hanka, 8-1 Society Lady. 10-1 | -CU13, 12-1 DG | |
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1991; MEDMISHT AIR B-8 Pat Strikry (3-1) H Cool 13 ras FORM FOCUS

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| ruoner maiden af Chesto BIE DEE 2941 5th of 7 to | (some terms) 1½) in a 10- er (71, good to Jem), BOB- Lova (Il Silva en the group poderood (71, good to sold) |
| IVANKA beat Greenlet 1 sace at Neutraniet on | Ki in a 5-runner conditions debut (61, glood to firm), public when beating Second |
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Chanco 2 in 2n 8-tonner nussery at Goodwood (Ri., good to soft) MARILLETTE 19/1 5th of 14 to Horpe in a nussery at York (Ti, good). SELF ASSURED 11 3rd of 8 in Whoddast in a conditioner race at York (Ti, good). SOCETY LADY 141 2nd of 19 to Advance Beile in a conditioner race at Assured (Ti, good).

Selection: SELF ASSURED

| 1 | 4. | 41 | FEST | TVAL HANDICAP (£4,890: 1m 2f 60yd) (25 runners) | |
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| ļ | 601 | (25) | 002-12 | TOUCH PAPER 126 (CD.) OF (Shakin Makemenen) B HBLs 3-9-11 14 HBs | 5 |
| ı | 602 | (2) | 114400 | RAYAIREG 18 (CO RE-F) (M A) Malatum) A Scot 3-9-11 B Raymood | 8 |
| Ì | 603 | | 5150 | JUDBARA SHARK 11 (V.D.F) (Straff) Makkeum) J Gosden 3-9-10 S Cauchen | ٤ |
| ı | 604 | č14i | 041112 | DRUMMER HICKS 45 (D.EF.F.S.) (Mr. N Hapler) E Weyses 3-9-9 Dean McKeown | 5 |
| ı | 605 | (21) | 111306 | ALKARIF 11 (F.G) (C Webster) Mrs. J Ramsden 3-9-6 G Baxter | 9 |
| ı | 606 | (4) | 513055 | EDEN'S CLOSE 35 (F) (Mrs M Barwell) M Tourghes 3-9-4 | 5 |
| ı | 607 | (23) | 05-0501 | BILISMAN 14 (D,F) (Lord Weinstock) W Herr 3-9-3 | |
| ı | 608 | Œ | 011260 | TUMURED 18 (F) (C Homptons) J Durstop 3-9-3 | ٤ |
| ı | 509 | ίń | 145634 | BROWN FAIRY 12 (F,G) (Mrs C Biops) Mrs N Macasley 4-9-2 | 5 |
| ı | 610 | ri3i | 512/ | SHAFFIC 2073 (D.BF.F) (P Devidson-Brown) M Hammond 5-9-2 J Carroll | |
| ı | 611 | (1) | 851-00 | ALIGHT 23 (S) (Mass R Fart) A Street 3-9-1 Elizabeth Fortetta (7) | 9 |
| ı | 612 | (15) | 511355 | CHATHAM ISLAND 30 (D.BF.F.S) (B Vost) C British 4-9-0 Pat Eddery | • |
| ł | 613 | (125 | | MAHONG 17 (G) (T Parod) Mrs H Parod 4-9-13 J Walans | |
| 1 | 514 | ெரு | 632313 | BATABANOO 15 (D,BF,F,G) (P Sentil) Mrs G Reneley 3-8-13 | 9 |
| l | 615 | (17) | 312340 | EXECUTION ONLY 44 (F.S.) (J Carrogion) J Walls 4-8-12 | 8 |
| 1 | 618 | (9) | 56000-2 | (BIALITAIR SOUND 12AI (P Bottomey) J Bottomey 4-8-10 | 8 |
| ı | 617 | (3) | 334303 | GLENSTAL PRINCESS 6 (F,6) (1 Gastero) R Hollinshead 5-8-10 | 8 |
| ı | 618 | (11) | 322322 | MIDIGUS 13 (BF,S) (A Wheldon) Mrs J Remoter 5-8-9 | 9 |
| ł | 619 | (20) | 3255 | SECRET TREATY 9 (R Sangster) P Chappole-Hyam 3-8-7 | 4 |
| ı | 620 | (19) | 520234 | AUCTION KING 12 (D Taze) A Smith 3-8-5 | ē |
| ı | 621 | (22) | 0-55533 | MARGS GRIL 132 (CD.BF.F.G.S) (6 Stephenson) 7 Family 5-8-5 J Family | ē |
| ı | 622 | (24) | 25-0004 | SPRING TO THE TOP 25 (G) (G Jabre) J Payne 5-8-4 A MASITO | 5 |
| 1 | 625 - | (5) | 232211 | SPRAY OF ORCHOS 9 (D.G.S) J Emeringian 3-8-3 (Ser) F Morton (S) | į |
| J | 624 | (18) | 300-505 | LEXUS 25 (L Beyan) R Williams 4-7-9 | 9 |
| ı | 625 | (15) | 06-00 | ART CRITIC 30 (Mrs Sean Kelly) M Heaton-Elle 3-7-7 | 4 |
| ١ | | | zapc Ari Cr | | |
| I | BETT | NG: 1 | D-7 Jernain | a Stark, Spring To The Yop, Torond, 12-1 Batabaroo, Douminer Hicks, Mingos, 14-1 Si | æ |

BETOME: 10-1 Jemaira Starit, Spring 19 (ne kup. 1915). 17-1 Specience, Laurinee Fricks, Moglics, DJ Orchids, 16-1 Albard, Boyalreg, Qualitar Sound, 20-7 Brown Fany, Chathaon Island. 25-1 olders. 1991: SUPER MORNING 5-8-11 J Williams (10-1) G Balding 22 cm FORM FOCUS

TOUCH PAPER 1/1 2nd of 5 to Sactago in a handle cap at Chester (from 4) 66vd, opcord. DRUMMER HOUSE head 2nd of 1/2 to Bernico in a handleau, handles and distance (pood to time), with THAURIO (6th bears of) 5/4/6 fb. BATABANDO beat SPRAY OF ORGANDS (same terms) 2 in a 14-fuguer seller at Rippo on beauthmate stad (fin 2), good). DILAUTIAR SOUND head 2 had 0 16 to 1 14-hanner seiter al Ripon on Decidiamate start (1m 21, good). CHALITAIR SCHNO head 3nd of 16 to Heir Of Excitement in a handleap at Soutbusti (AW.



Burooj takes Carson to yet another century

another statistic to a career of remarkable consistency yesterday when registering his 21st century of winners in the last

22 seasons.

WILLIE Carson added the G G Baxter Ltd Maiden another statistic to a career of Stakes at Lingfield.

1971 was eight years ago after Carson, aged 49, reached had any intention of retiring, his 100 when newcomer Carson replied: "No — my had any intention of retiring, Buroof gained an impressive aim is to ride 100 winners a favourite had prevailed by the success in the first division of scason for the next five years."

At Leicester, a gamble on Omidjoy from 66-1 to 14-1 in The only time Carson has the first division of the EBF failed to reach a century since Filbert Maiden Fillies' Stakes was narrowly foiled by Fair a bad fall in Italy. Asked if he Maid Of Kent. The judge had to call for a print before deciding that the odds-on

VESTERDAYS RESULTS

MANDARIN Lingfield Park Going: good to soft (turf course), standard (all-weether) (ga-weigher)
2.00 (5) 1, Go Flightline (M Hills, 4-1); 2, Mysterious Ways (20-1), 3, Kimbolton Korker (8-1). Gone Prospecting, Crime Oftheconiury 5-2, I-lava. 19 ran. NR: Tallino. Sh hd, 11kl. M Bell. Totle: 54,90, £1,8

23.0 (tm 2) 1, Jo N Jack (C Dwyer, 33-1); 2, May Square (5-1); 3, Awesome Power (7-2). Amazon Express 9-4 fav. 14 ran. 2½, 1 Ringram. Tote: 242.80; 27.70; 22.20, 21.90. DF: £123.00. CSF: £216.63 ur: 2123.00. USF: 2216.63 3.00 (7) 1, Burnoj (W Carson, 11-2); 2, Mulitover (25-1); 3, Indersputer (7-2 tay). 20 ran. 1% (11 D Morley, Toler 98.10; 22.80, 22.80, 21.70. DF: 2533.00. USF: 5135.34.

227 22. Tricast: £395 94.
4.00 (61) f. Pascination Waltz (B Raymond.
14-1), 2. Amethysine (25-1); 3. Easy Does II
(10-1 g-fav); 4. Spring High (10-1 g-fav).
Fay's Song, Lune Bid, Dawes OI Neison,
Gallent Hope 10-1 gi-fav, 19 ran. NR- Face
North. 3, 11. D Shew Tote: £19.20; 23.80.
53.60, 52.40, 52.70. Def: £1,476.80. CSF.
2303.94. Tricast: £3,303.70.
4.30 (1m 4); 1, Cusaforat (Pet Eddery, 3-1);
2. Aldvalij (10-1); 3. Donle (11-2), Lef's Get
Lost 11-8 lav. 5 ran. 11, 41. B Hills. Tote:
59.20; £210, £1.70. DF: £8.70. CSF.
£23.76.
5.00 (77); 1, Albert The Bold (1, Piggott, 5-1);

5.90 (7f) 1, Urgent Request (Pai Eddery, 5-1); 2, Dukarne (20-1); 3, Yloot (14-1), Bark 5-4 bay 20 aan, 101, 94, B Hills 10to: 25.50; 52.40, 25.50, £1.80, DF: £109.40 CSF: £100.41. Placapot 1,065.00

Leicester Gong: good 1.50 (Im 8yd) 1. Fair Maid Of Kent (S Cauthen, 4-5 fav); 2. Omoloy (14-1); 3, Puget Denoer (16-1). 11 ran. Sh hid, 254. J Gosden. Tote: 22-10; 21.10, £8.80, £5.40. DF: £17.50. CSF: £15.14. ur: £17.50. CSF: £15.14. 2.20 (1m 8yd) 1, Brightside (T Oulmn, 7-2); 2, Pearly Mief (12-1); 3, Abat (5-2), Solantica 2 (sv. 10 ran. 44, 11/1. P Cole. Tota: £4.90; £1.30, £3.30. £1.30. DF: £23.60. CSF £41.25

E41.25
2.50 (1m 8yd) 1, General Chase (P Robinson, 14-1); 2, Doc Scot (8-1); 3, The Gold Scuk (10-1); 4, Pondering (20-1). Society Gown 7 fav 20 ran. Sh hd, 4l R Hokder. Tose: E43.30; 59.10, 52.40, E2.00, E5.60. DF: E59.60 CSF: E131.62. Tricast: £1,118.46. After a stewards' enquity, result stood. slood.
3.20 (1m 11 218yd) 1, Supertop (Paul Eddery, 9-1); 2, Singler Lad (9-1); 3, I'm Electric (6-1); 4, Hostile Act (50-1). Calipoli 11-2 fav. 19 ran. Nk, 1 kt, 2; P Harris. Tota: 68.20; 2.60, 2.20; 6; 170, E16.10. DF: 252.90 CSF: 285.18. Tricest: £482.10.

CSF: 2:114 57.

4.50 (fm 3f 183yd) 1, Bit On The Side (J. Reid, 3-1 kay); 2, Speeds Movement (9-1).

3, Phiggan (20-1); 4, Post Impressionais (14-1); 20 ran. NR: Demond Wedding, Dare To Dream; 3, 2, K. W. Musson: Tote, 23-40; 21-50, 23-00; 24-90, 25-80. DF: £10-60. CSF: £34-02. Thicast: £465-86.

5.20 (7f Syd) 1, Instant Affair (T Quinn, 8-1); 2, Rockover (3-1 k-law); 3, Grove Deftool (3-1 k-law); 17 ran. 1), 14. P. Cole. Tote: £7-20; 56:00, £2-10, £1-90. DF: £17-70. CSF: £34-56.

Placepot: £1,016.10. Carlisle

Carriste
Geing: good (good to soft in places)
2.10 (\$1.207yd) 1. Doulabella (6 Duffield.
11-2); 2. Peaceful! Plany (3-1 jt-law); 3. Reasons For Love (3-1 jt-law); 12 ran. Hd.
nk. M. Prescott. Tote: £7.30; £1.80, £1.50, £1.50, £1.50 DF: £8.60 CSF: £20.98.
2.40 (\$7.207yd) 1. Roctert To The Moon (D Harrison, 15-8); 2. Tarragome (20-1); 3. Missas Brevis (6-4 fay), 10 ran. NR: Roscommon Jee 1-61, 3. P. Chepple-Hyern Tote: £3.00; £1.10, £4.00, £1.30. DF: £17.20. CSF. £33.28.
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BRITISH challengers failed to cut any ice at Arlington Park on Monday night. Mohammed Moubarak's Eclipse Stakes fourth Free Flyer, partnered by Herb McCauley. finished a luckless eighth behind Ghazi in the grade one Secretariat Stakes. Free Flyer

missed the break and, after being blocked several times in the straight, finished full of running four lengths behind the winner. In the Newbury Handican, the Queen's Enharmonic was seventh and the Moubarak-trained Starlight Flyer finished eleventh.

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Fleicher offered Gower hope.

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he was discounted on grounds of age. Fletcher added that

this did not mean he might

urgent need of a donor.

McKenzie

ready for hectic month

BY SRIKE WAR SEN ROSENT CORRESPONDENT

DUKE McKenzie has one month to prepare for the World Boving Organisation super-huntamweight title bout that could give him the distinction of being the first Briton to win three biles at different weights this century.

He will be bosing at the Lewisham Theatre on October 15 but after his performance against Peter Buckley, of Birmingham, on Monday night at York Hall it is clear that he has a month of hard work ahead of him. He was hoxing for the first time after being knocked out in the first round by Rafael Del Valle, of Puerto Rico, last May and he did not look as sharp as he can be. In the first round there were more misses than hits and it was only after he had floored Buckley in the third that he opened up with good punches to the body and head. forcing Buckley to retire at the end of the round.

Duff, thought it was a very good performance. "He baxed beautifully." Duff said, "That guy was cagey. You have to throw six shots to land two." McKenzie was at last showing

his age - 29 - and the effects of that knockout by Del Valle. Duff believes that he can lift a third world title and go on

It was Duff's turn to be realistic. "He won't make fortunes," Duff said. "The Lewisham Theatre only holds 900. but if he fights for two more years he could net £100,000. which could give him an income of £10,000 a year."

PARALYMPIC GAMES

Holmes

FROM ALIX RAMSAY

Games and both ended the day as Paralympic champions and world record holders. For Holmes it was his fourth gold medal and with three events still to come he is fast becoming the Mark Spitz of backstroke he soon wiped out

record. Holmes has much to celebrate. A first-year politics student at King's College, he left Cambridge during the sum-

mer term to train with the Olympic squad in Birming-ham alongside Nick Gilling-ham. Trying to study privately around his practice schedule around a 2:1 in his first year exams to go with his collection of gold medals. For Holmes's great triend and room mate, Tim Reddish,

the Paralympics are turning mare. In the 50m freestyle, Reddish, who is partially in, only to discover it was a whistle from the crowd. As Reddish stopped. Holmes accelerated away to win the

Gower needs to believe in another comeback

Monday morning after Gra-

ham Gooch's apologetic call.

His feelings went something

like this: "I was mentally miles

away, wondering what on

captaincy, he had also lost his

familiarly tortured road that



Fletcher: offered hope

ith one bombshell barely absorbed. David Gower must wait until the weekend to calm fears of another. His county contract is about to expire and the Hampshire committee will decide on Friday whether, and for how long, he should be re-engaged.

As Gower has made it clear that he has shelved retirement thoughts and would like to play for another three years, a contract offer seems mere routine. But after the latest step in his hokey-cokey rela-tionship with the England team, he is probably not over-

Not the least reason for sympathising with Gower in his latest predicament is that it

has effectively put him out of work at a very inconvenient time. Mike Gatting's pockets are still bulging with krugerrand and Neil Fairbrother has had the security of an England winter contract.

Both will now be a minimum of £25,000 richer through selection for the tour of India, while the man they are keeping out did not feature in past rebellion and is not seen to be worthy of future encouragement. So Gower gets nothing and reels towards his wedding day still unsure if he will have a day job to return to next summer. Money, however, would not

have been the first thing which entered his head when

he put down the phone on

treated callously by those who earth I had done to deserve sit in judgment. Gower's popularity, it often seems, is constant and unanibeing judged suddenly Not, as it happens, this week's quote. Those words mous with everybody bar the England selectors. I expect my were Gower's reflection on the corresponding day, two years ago, when a similar call, this time from Ted Dener, informed him that, in addition mailbag this week to be dominated by letters of outrage over his treatment: it always has to the loss of the England

ALAN LEE

been whenever England have This time, the indignation place in the party to tour the Caribbean. It is, you see, a will surely focus on the fact that almost everybody in the

game knew of Gower's fate

Gower is confronting. And he

might ponder the paradox of

a man who has been the very

portrayal of loyalty, dignity

and charm, being so regularly

Last Friday, at the Cricket Writers' Chib dinner, an award was initiated in memory of the late Peter Smith. its recipient to be somebody who has given outstanding service

before he did. And affection for him is not confined to

those outside the game.

whething will probably be in the media that Gower earns a living on retirement, and, unlike some former players, he will be welcomed. But in the meantime, a man cannot live on love and affection and. for the umpteenth time in the turbulent career of a superfi-

cially tranquil man, Gower

not be chosen again next summer. By that time, of course, he will have had Y ower was the overwhelming choice. It

another birthday but an Ashes series would lack something for his absence. Gower must continue to believe in next summer, for if he does not there will be no point in him signing whatever new contract may be offered. International cricket is his lifeblood. Once again, he is in

Reeve appointed the new Warwickshire captain

Twose and Penney prove value of Lloyd's efforts

By RICHARD STREETON

LORD'S (first day of four: Warwickshire won toss): Warwickshire have scored 319 for seven wickets against Middlesex

ROGER Twose and Trevor Penney, two of the county's emerging batsmen, provided the main resistance yesterday as the Warwickshire innings progressed in fits and starts. Half the side was out for 165 but the Middlesex bowlers were unable to press home their advantage. They also shared 27 no-balls, with Tufnell, who had 11, the leading culprit.

inevitably, though, the main talking point remained the Warwickshire announcement the previous evening that Dermot Reeve would replace Andy Lloyd as the county captain next season. Lloyd, who has a year of his

CANTERBURY (second day

of four): Glamorgan with 6

second innings wickets in

hand lead Kent by 115 runs

AT THE start of this excep-

tional season of county cricket,

Kent would have settled most

gladly for finishing runners

up in the championship. That

they should achieve, assum-

ing, if assumptions are ever

advisable in this game, that

they beat Glamorgan today.

They do have the small matter of ridding themselves

of Richards first. Perhaps as-

sumptions should not be coun-

tenanced while he is still at the

that his side lead Kent by only

115 runs on a pitch giving

succour to the seamers, and

That Kent achieved a first-

innings lead of 61 was almost

entirely because of the partner-

ship between Taylor and

Marsh, 113 in 53 overs. Here

were two batsmen treating this

as the four-day contest it was

supposed to be. The number

of players in this match with

two days still remain.

The bald facts though are

understandably disappointed. He has accepted, however, the view of the cricket committee, chaired by Dennis Amiss, that

it is time for a change.

It is believed that a decisive factor in its thinking was that Lloyd's own form this season has not justified an automatic place in the side as much as any dissatisfaction with his captaincy. Warwickshire hope that Lloyd, 35, will score more runs without the burden of

leadership.
Lloyd has led Warwickshire since 1988, when he steered them to sixth place in the championship after they had been fifteenth the previous season. Since then, they have been eighth, fifth and second and, this year, should finish near the top. In 1989, they

won the NatWest Trophy. It has been an acceptable record for somebody who took over at a time when the county was in the throes of several

Richards stands in way as

runners-up place beckons

being included in England's A

party are legion, but these two

more than most. They do not

often catch the eye, but they

are among the more depend-

The Kent batsman in recent

years upon whom Taylor

could have modelled his game

was Bob Wilson, left-handed

though he was. His cricket was

played before his county's

great successes of the 1970s

and from that viewpoint Tay-

lor's career began at just the

wrong time. In another era

they might have both played for England.

Taylor is averaging more than 50 this season, although

curiously, he has made only

one first-class century. It

would not be fair to say he got

himself out yesterday - he

never does - but this was the

tenth occasion he has reached

a half-century without pro-

gressing a great deal further.

him and Richards, eyesight

seemingly unimpaired in mid-

dle age, took the catch with

Still the ball was moving

sublime ease at first slip.

Thomas ran one away from

able of county cricketers.

In the past two years, though, Lloyd has more or less had a free hand and the side has seldom performed less than consistently. Lloyd's own batting, though, has clearly waned. He has contributed much this season in one-day games but averages 25.03 for 826 runs in the champion-ship, in which he has not made a hundred for two years.

Meanwhile, Reeve, the previous vice-captain, is a flexible thinker about both his own play and the game and has obviously revelled in the occasional chances he has had to be in charge. He is 29 and closer in every respect to the younger members of the side than his predecessor. Tim Munton becomes the new vice-captain.

Reeve yesterday praised Lloyd's unselfish approach to his own batting and acknowledged the help he had received from Lloyd in developing his

as on Monday. Richards held

another slip catch, this off

Dale's military medium, to

account for Marsh, and now it

was a matter of whether Kent

would collect a second bonus

They did so through an unlikely last-wicket partner-ship between Davis and

Igglesden, 26 runs made with

Glamorgan could hardly

bat again as ineffectually as on

the first day and indeed they

did not. True, there was an

element of desperation about

the way Morris shaped to

hook Igglesden, the ball loop-ing up to mid-wicket. After

that, James and Dale eeked

out a second-wicket partner-

ship of 60 that gave them the

Dale is in prime form. He

could not, however take his

half-century any further. A

top-edged square cut off Flem-ing was taken at first slip and Maynard soon followed, bril-

liantly held by Ward at cover

off a slower ball from Ealham.

there at the close and starting

TAUNTON (second day of lour). Durham, with saven second-immigs wickets in hand, need 217 runs to avoid an innings deleat by somerset.

SOMERSET: First Innings

Total (3 wkts) 96

to bat ominously well.

Richards, though, was still

batting point.

unexpected vigour.

been good with young players and Twose and Penney, both 24, underlined the point on this occasion. When the lefthanded Twose was fifth out. moving forward against Emburey, Lloyd greeted him on the pavilion steps with the award of his county cap.

Twose has now scored near-ly 1,300 runs and averages almost 40 this summer. Once again, he struck the ball with a succession of firm, upright strokes. After Moles was held at third slip. Lloyd drove and pulled freely to give Twose his main support before he was stumped off Tufnell.

Ostler and Reeve failed but Penney settled into a sound, stylish innings and, after three-and-a-half hours, was undefeated when bad light brought the close eight overs early. Tufnell and Emburey could turn the ball only slowly. Both were given a lot of work. a foretaste of the winter slog

Lancashire fall to Salisbury

THREE members of the England A team attack for Australia this winter celebrated their selection in some style yesterday, Ian Salisbury, the Sussex leg spinner leading the way with a devastating spell against Lancashire at Old Trafford (Geoffrey Wheeler

Salisbury, 22, who is enjoying his most prolific season. wrecked the middle order by taking five for ten in 32 balls and ended the day with five for 27 as Lancashire faced up to the prospect of overwhelming defeat. At 170 for nine they

are 393 in arrears. Mark Ilott, the Essex leftarmer, had a career-best return of six for 87 at Derby where the day's highlight was a brilliant 135 in 156 balls from Chris Adams, which enabled Derbyshire to leave the champions 440 to win. On a pitch which has lost much of its menace they have reached

There were five wickets in the day for Somerset fast bowler Andrew Caddick at Taunton where Durham followed on despite a 97-ball hundred from Ian Smith.

Moratuwa, Sri Lanka: Allan aries, before he was out to the Border, the Australia captain, yesterday hit a century, his first in Test cricket for four years, to rescue his team after Sri

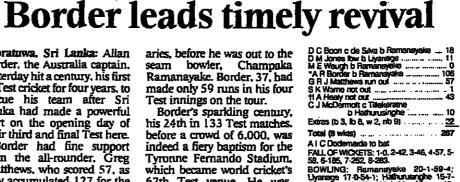
Lanka had made a powerful start on the opening day of their third and final Test here. Border had fine support from the all-rounder, Greg Matthews, who scored 57, as they accumulated 127 for the sixth wicket to help Australia to 287 for eight at the close, having slumped to 58 for five. The left-handed Border led from the front with a superb

106, studded with 16 bound-

seam bowler, Champaka Ramanayake. Border, 37, had made only 59 runs in his four

Hitting the ball fair and square: Evans nears his century at Trent Bridge yesterday

Test innings on the tour. Border's sparkling century, his 24th in 133 Test matches. before a crowd of 6,000, was indeed a fiery baptism for the Tyronne Fernando Stadium. which became world cricket's 67th Test venue. He was. however, fortunate to be



FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-42, 3-46, 4-57, 5-58, 6-185, 7-252, 8-283.

SRI LANKA: "A Renetunga, R S Mahanama, U C Hathurusinghe, A P Gunusanha, P A de Sava, S T Jayasumye, th P Tilekarahe, C P M Ramanayala, D Uyanage, S D Anurasiri and M Muratidaran. Umpres. K T Francis and B C Cooray.

Middx v Warwicks

LORO'S (first day of tour; Warwickshire won loss): Warwickshire have accred 319 for seven wickels against Middlesex WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings

Total (7 wkts) 319

FALL OF WICKETS: 7-13, 2-89, 3-102, 4-124, 5-165, 6-235, 7-265

MIDDLESEX: D.L. Haynes, M.A. Roseberry, "M.W. Gasting, M.R. Ramprekash, J.D. Carr, r.K. R. Brown, J.E. Erriburey, N.F. Williams, A.R. C. Frasser, C.W. Taylor and P.C. R. Tutneth Bonus points: Alfodiese: 3, Warwickshire 4. Umpres: M.J. Kitchen and K.E. Palmer,

Score after 100 overs: 307-7.

G C Small and T A Munion to bat.

Spirited resistance by **Evans denies Surrey**

cause to feel aggrieved at not around if not as extravagantly

By JACK BAILEY

TRENT BRIDGE (second day of four): Surrey, with nine second-innings wickets in hand, are 116 runs behind Nottinghamshire

IF Nottinghamshire find themselves in the money as the result of their county championship campaign, they could well drink a toast to Kevin Evans. Yesterday, he followed his three wickets in Surrev's first innings by resisting allcomers for 44 hours, scoring his second century for Nottinghamshire — his first at Trent Bridge — and steering his county to a most unlikely lead of 150.

Nicknamed "Ghost", Evans is the sort of player who rarely hogs, or even seeks the limelight. He has, for instance, bowled only one no-ball in more than 500 overs this season. A troublesome knee has kept him out of the first team for a couple of weeks, but he has stolen back into the fray and yesterday helped add 198 runs for the last four Nottinghamshire wickets.

It had looked for a time as though the early morning movement off the seam gener-

ated by Martin Bicknell and Feltham might send Nottinghamshire down the same rocky path which saw Surrey lose seven wickets before lunch on Monday. But they with-drew from the precipice. First, Chris Lewis, who like Evans is having a fine all-round match, counter-attacked on the charge after two early wickets had gone for the addition of 35. Then Evans completed the recovery, sharing a ninth-wicket stand of 124 with Bramhall which has ensured an uphill struggle for Surrey. Evans's 104 was a career-

best score and it was made in the face of some excellent bowling by Bicknell. In common with others, Bicknell also experienced a certain amount of difficulty with Lewis, who was first to overcome the morning hoodoo which has beset this match, and he did so

by audacious stroke-play. Lewis was the fourth batsman to fall before lunch. however, which was taken with Nottinghamshire on 209 for seven. Only one more wicker fell before hunch and tea while 97 were added and Evans plied his craft.

YESTERDAY'S SCOREBOARDS FALL OF WICKETS: 1-12, 2-29, 3-29. Bonus points: Somerset 8, Durham 3 Umpires: R Julian and G Sharp. Britannic Assurance county championship Somerset v Durham

Notts v Surrey TRENT BRIDGE (second day of four): Surrey, with nine second-Immigs wickels in hand, are 116 nuns behind Nottingharreihre SURREY: First Immigs 207 (R E Bryson 78: C C Lewis 4 for 89:

NOTTINGHAMSHERE: First Innings MOTTINGHAMEHHE: First Innings
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M Saxeby bw b M P Bicknell 43
"R T Robinson b Bryson 21
M A Crawley bw b M P Bicknell 22
G F Archer b Fethiam 22
C L Carris b Fethiam 22
C L Carris b Fethiam 52
C L Sewart b M P Bicknell 52
K P Evans c Stewart b M P Bicknell 12
TS Brantell b M P Bicknell 12
TS Brantell not our 37
J A Alford bw b Bryson 0
Extras (b 3, lb 16, nb 20) 39

Edras (b 5, w 4) 9

Total 534

Score after 100 civers: 382-4. 534

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Score after 100 civers: 382-4. 537

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-96, 2-285, 3-285, 4-287, 5-375, 6-450, 7-450, 8-454, 9-514.

BOWLING, Botham 11-2-45-0: Brown 22 1-3-115-2, Henderson 23-5-110-1; Hughes 32-5-112-4: Graveney 12-1-46-0; Beinbridge 14-5-31-1; Smith 2-16-70-2.

DURHAMI: First Immings

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P W G Parker c Harden b Caddick 16

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TC W Scott not cut. 10

P W Henderson c and b Mellender 0

I T Botham b Mallender 10

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S P Hughes c Snell b Mellender 24

S J E Brown b Caddick 8

Edras (b 4, b 2, no 7) 13

Total (44.4 civers) 219 Total Score eiter 100 overs, 275-8. Score ains 100 overs. 275-8. FALL OF VKCKETS: 1-0. 2-68. 3-89, 4-124. 5-124, 6-159, 7-201, 8-233, 9-357. BOWLING M P Bicknet 38-12-89-5: Bryson 30-5-67-8, fortham 28-5-68-2. Kendrick 22-7-46-0. Boiling 11-0-23-0; Brown 2-0-6-0 Bonus points. Notinghamshire 7, Surrey 5 Umpres: A A Jones and B Leadbeater

Kent v Glamorgan CANTERBURY (second day of four): Glamorgan, with six second-minings wickels in hand, are 115 runs shead of Kent GLAMORGAN: First Innings 158 (A P GLANCHGANE Hist mangs 1: ligglesden 5 for 45) Second Innings S P James low b ligglesden H Mons c Werd b ligglesden A Dale c Hooper b Ferning "M P Maynard c Ward b Eatharn

KENT: First Immigs KERT: First Innings
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"M R Benson c Metson b Waddin
N R Taylor c Richards b Thomas
C L Hooper low b Wastin
G R Cowdrey c James b Berwick
M V Pleming c James b Berwick
S A Marsh c Richards b Date
M A Ealheim c and b Thomas
R P Daves not out
M J McCaque flow b Date
A P ligglesden c Metson b Wetton
Lorde 19 10 7 w 1 nb 21 Extras (b 9. lb 7, w 1. nb 2) 19 Total (98.1 overs)

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-27, 2-37, 3-39, 4-55, 5-55, 6-168, 7-162, 8-193, 9-193 BOWLING Watkin 22.1-7-64-3, Thomas 19-4-52-3; Barwick 30-15-37-2; Dale 14-4-27-2 Croft 13-6-23-0. Borrus points' Kent 6, Glarnorgan 5. Umpires: J C Balderstone and R C Totchard.

Derbys v Essex DERBY (second day of four): Essex, with all second-immings wickets in hand, need are 383 runs to beat Derbyshire DERBYSHIRE: First Immings 226 (T J G O'Gorman 64, C J Adams 60; D R Pringle 5 for 63) Second Innings

Second Innings

"K J Bernet c Knight b Pringle 12
P D Bowler boy b liot 4
JE Morns b Rott 55
T J G O'Gomen e Pringle b Bort 7
C J Adams c Gamham b liot 135
O G Cork c Pringle b Bort 21
K M Knighten c Gamham b liot 5
I R Bishop c Gooch b Topkey 25
A E Warner b Such 19
D E Melcolm c Lewis b Such 11
O H Mortenean not out 9
Extras (bb 6, w 1, rb 8) 16

Stephenson 2-0-17-0, Gooch 5-2-15-0. Shahid 1-0-1-0. ESSEC First linnings 96 (G A Gooch 53; I R Bishop 6 for 18) Second Innings Bonus points. Derbyshire 6, Essex 4. Umpires, V A Holder and R Palmer

Lancs v Sussex OLD TRAFFORD (second day of four)
Lancashire, with one first-thrangs wicket in
hand, need 243 runs to avoid the follow on
against Sussex.

Extras (b 1, lb 3, nb 9)

England v Sri Lanka WORCESTER (second day of four). England, with six first-immigs wickets in hand, are 289 nurs alread of \$n Lanks SRI LANKA U-19: First Immigs 190 (R P Arnold 63, M R Bainbridge 6 for 26)

Under-19 Test match

ENGLAND U-19: First krnings ENGLAND U-19; First syrings
D D J Roborson b G Peroria 124
"W P C Weston b Side 15
M B Loye c Fernando b Amold 66
M J Walker nu out 67
M G N Windows not out 67
J N Snape not out 12
Extras (b 1, b 10, w 3, nb 2) 15 Total (4 wids)

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Strangely enough, Mc-Kenzie's manager, Mickey Far from thinking that

boxing for another two years. McKenzie was more realistic. "Comeback fights are hard," he said. "Buckley only came to survive. Guys like that make you look ordinary, but when there's a championship fight I'll be a lot better." He knows also that his opponent. Jesse Benavides, of Mexico. will be a lot harder than

"Benavides is a Kronk fighter. That means he's very good. and he's also a southpaw." McKenzie said. "It won't be an easy fight, if I have to touch down I'll get straight up again. I've got to win the

championship if I'm going to make some real money."

James Cook, of Peckham, who was also having his first comeback contest after a firstround knockout, beat Tony Booth, of Sheffield, easily, winning all eight rounds. He will now most likely challenge for the European super-middleweight title he lost to Frank Nicotra, of France, last April. Nicotra has vacated the title.

Flood and net gold

IN BARCELONA

CHRIS Holmes and Tara Flood will not be popular in Barcelona Yesterday both swimmers beat Spanish rivals to win gold. For both it was their fourth medal of the

the Paralympics. In the 200m the challenge of Juan Diego Gill, five years his junior at only 15, to finish eight seconds ahead in 2min 33.14sec, taking almost four seconds off his own world

into something of a nightsighted, thought he heard a false start whistle as he dived gold and set a world record. Last night he withdrew injured from the 200m final.

No love lost between Agassi and Courier

Television looks forward to new rivalries on court

FROM ANDREW LONGMORE TENNIS CORRESPONDENT IN NEW YORK

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Dilling of the second

WITH the elder generation safely relegated to the commentary box, the rivalry which the US television companies hope will fuel public interest through the next decade is renewed at Flushing Meadow today. If not, as yet, fraught with the tension of a Connors v McEnroe, Jim Courier against Andre Agassi, in the quarter-finals of the US Open, has enough light and shade to whet the appetite of the most demanding television execurive - not least because, from their days together in the Nick Bollettieri Academy, there is no love lost between them.

"I think there is a big enough contrast between us to arouse a lot of interest," Agassi said. "There's a good chance everybody watching on television knew who they wanted to win." The contest is certainly spiced with hidden meaning for both men.

When he beat Agassi to win the French Open title for the first time last year. Courier pointedly and profusely thanked his coach, José Higueras, while ignoring

M Washington bt H Leconte (Fr), 6-4, 6-7. 6-4, 6-3; M Washington bt H Leconte, 6-4, 6-7, 6-4, 6-3.

Volkov (CIS) bi B Gifbert, 6-2, 6-4, 5-7, 7-6; P Sampras bt G Forget (Fr), 6-3, 1-6, 1-6, 6-4, 6-3; A Agassi bt C Costa (Sp), 6-4, 6-3, 6-2.

M Maleeva-Fragnière (Switz) bit C Cunningham, 6-3, 7-5; S Graf (Ger) bit F Labat (Arg), 6-2, 6-2; M Maleeva (Bul) bit C Rubin, 7-5, 5-7, 6-1

Men's singles Third round

Women's singles

Fourth round

Bollettieri. In Paris this year. Agassi implied that Courier lacked talent, an insult which earned him a swift drubbing in the semi-final and a tart response afterwards. A talent for hard work and determination, Courier suggested, was as important as a flair for the big shot.

The one regret for the organisers is that, by sticking rigidly to the computer for the seedings, they have wasted a potential semi-final or final between the holders of the year's three grand slam titles. Courier v Agassi, a match between many people's idea of the two favourites for the men's singles title here, de-

serves a higher billing.

Having experienced the best of both in the last two grand slam events, McEnroe's analysis for the USA network should make interesting listening. In horse racing parlance, there is little to choose between them on a line through McEnroe, who won nine games against Agassi at Wimbledon and ten off the top seed here in what could prove his last grand-slam singles match. Courier's domination, particularly over the first two

Second round

Mixed doubles

Quarter-finals

Men's doubles
Third round
J Eltingh and P Haarhuis (Holl) bt T
Nyssen (Holl) and C Suk (Cz), 7-6, 6-2;

break down a barrier which had hitherto proved impene-trable. In total, the two elder sisters have reached 17 grand sets, suggested he had left the A FLOSHING MEADOW RESULES 4 slam quarter-finals - Manuela (11) and Katerina (6) without once going further. Today's quarter-final between

Manuela and Magdalena guarantees progress, though it might cause considerable friction in the household were the youngest sister to reach the semi-final at the first time of M Navratitova and P Shriver bt 1 Demongeot and N Teuziet (Fr), 6-4, 6-0; L McNeil and R Stubbs (Aus) bt J Hetherington (Can) and K Riradi, 6-4, 7-5; R McOuillan (Aus) and C Ponwik (Ger) bt S Collins and S Rehe, 6-3, 6-2. asking. It also continues the theme of sibling rivalry set by the Sanchez brothers.

to his talent.

In the juniors, there have been encouraging wins for three British players, Lorna Woodruffe, Shirli-Ann Siddall and Andrew Richardson, though Mandy Wainwright was beaten by the top seed.

uncertainty of the opening week behind him, while

Agassi has swept impressively through to the last eight

His latest victim. Carlos Costa, of Spain, fared no better than the rest, barely

threatening the growing confi-

dence of the Wimbledon champion, who has earned

the title "zen master" from a new member of his fan club,

Agassi had not heard the

term before. "I am going to

have to talk to her about that

one," he said. Nor did he attach any significance to the absence of his fledgling beard.

"I just shave when I want to be

clean shaven. I don'd try to

The odd man out in the top

half of the draw is the Russian,

Alex Volkov, who plays Pete

Sampras in the other quarter-

final today. For the second

successive match, the No. 3

seed recovered from 2-1 down

to win - this time against Guy

Forget — which suggests he is at last adding some substance

The Maleeva family has at

last found an infallible way to

over intellectualise it."

Barbra Streisand.

without dropping a set.



Irish wiles: Townsend receives permanent recognition for his choice of country

Townsend given captaincy

FROM CLIVE WHITE IN DUBLIN

Not to be outdone by England, the Republe of Ireland appointed a new captain of their own yesterday when they gave the job, on a permanent basis, to Andy Townsend, who, ironically, might now be the England captain if Graham Taylor's predecessor had shown greater foresight.

England, nowadays, are less inclined to let one slip through the net - Townsend had been eligible to play for either country when Ireland alone came calling three-and-a-half years ago — as they have demonstrated twice in the past seven days by snatching the promising Stephen Froggan, of Aston Villa, and Phil Whelan, of Ipswich Town,

from the Irish. Whether or not England will rue the day they did not make overtures in the direction of Alan Kernaghan remains to be seen, though it is Northern Ireland who are likely to be the more embar-

DETAILS Previous results: Spain 3. Albania 0; Northern tretand 2, Lithuanta 2; tretand 2,

Middlesbrough central fender, who will make his debut for Ireland against Latvia in the World Cup group three qualifying match at Lansdowne Road today, played half a dozen games for Northern Ireland schoolboy.

Appearances at schoolboy level do not bind a player to a country for life and Kernaghan, due to the complex qualification rules (he qualifies for the Republic because his grandparents were born in Belfast), has been able to switch allegiance. Just as rassed in such an event. The Townsend has succeeded

Mick McCarthy as captain, so Kernaghan has the opportunity to take over from the Millwall player-manager in the position which has, reputedly, been giving Jack Charlton cause for concern almost since the day he and became manager of Ireland.

Defensive issues are likely to matter less than what Ireland do in attack against a stubborn "no hoper", who managed to hold Denmark, the European champions to a goalless draw in Riga last month. Charlton felt that the Danes made the mistake of playing "what you would term controlled football from the back". That as we all know, is not the Irish way and Latvia will be readying themselves for a heavy aerial assault led by "Bomber" Quinn and served up by the likes of Staunton, providing he recovers from a

providing ne recovers from a ricked-neck.

REPUBLIC OF IRELAND: P Bonner (Cette), D Invin (Manchester United), A Kemaghan (Addictionupin, P McGrath (Asion Vital) for T Phelan, Manchester Cty), R Keene (Notungham Forest), R Whelan (Liverpool), A Townsend (Chelses), K Sheedy (Newcaste United), J Aldridge (Trannere Rovers), N Quinn (Manchester Cty)

sixth World Cup

IN SOLOTHURN

THE first steps in the march towards a remarkable accomplishment may be taken in the Wankdorf Stadium in Berne this evening, when Scotland open their qualifying cam-paign for the 1994 World Cup finals against Switzerland. In

Settled Scots seek

place in record

Andy Roxburgh, the Scot-tish coach, would settle for a repeat of last year's game with Switzerland, which ended in a 2-2 draw after the Scots had fallen two behind by halftime. They were revived by goals from Durie and McCoist, and it may be that Roxburgh will favour the same partnership to start tonight, although he has Gallacher, of Coventry, as an

attempting to reach the finals

for the sixth successive time.

the Scots hope to equal the qualification record held by

alternative to Durie. Whichever pairing begins the game, the third man will almost certainly be brought on at some stage, either to alter the attacking pattern or to augment it. Otherwise the team picks itself.

Although Scotland are returning to the scene of a productive outing, the atmo-sphere will not be duplicated. There was a crowd of 50,000 last time the countries met, and the Swiss spectators were animated by the prospect of qualifying for the finals of an important tournament for the first time since 1966. Since then, the capacity of the stadium has been halved because of safety requirements and the Swiss FA seems to have guaranteed that the crowd will not reach even the 15,000 mark by charging as

much as £40 for tickets. Roxburgh, though, is wary of supposing that a flatter atmosphere is an automatic benefit for his players. "Last year the hysteria of the crowd undoubtedly affected Switzerland, and although they were 2-0 up at half-time. I said to our players that I believed the Swiss were gone, that they did not have the physical or mental capacity to get through 90

minutes in that atmosphere.

DETAILS

"A quieter occasion might suit them better and I have to admit it's not a stadium I am fond of because it's a dull

intimidating kind of place. Scotland at least have a settled team. Switzerland, by contrast, have undergone a transition under their English manager, Roy Hodgson, and play what Roxburgh describes as "more of a British-style

game". It is a slower and less technical style than that employed under Uli Stielike, Hodgson's predecessor. There is a tendency to play a flat back four, but Geiger frequently drops into a sweeper's role and he will probably do so tonight. particularly if the volatile Egli is detailed for sentry duty on

McCoist. The Swiss have also, most unusually for this level of football, taken to deploying two former defenders, in Sfor za and Ohrel, in midfield. They can be regarded as anchor men in the middle of the field, and their presence there suggests that this encounter may be rather more physical than last year's.

Switzerland are not short of motivation; they already lead the group after their 6-0 victory in Estonia. Scotland, too, are confident after their exploits in the European championship.

SWITZERLAND: M Pascolo (Servette Geneva); M Hottiger (Son), A Egil (Servette Geneva), A Geiger (Son), Y Quentin (Son); A Ohret (Servette Geneva), G Bregy (Young Boys Berne); G Storza (Grasshoppers Zunch); A Suder (Grasshoppers Zunch) or B Pfifaretti (Son), A Krusp (Sudgari), S Chaputisat (Borussa Dortmund).

SCOTLAND: A Goram (Rangers); T Boyd (Cetic), D McPharaon (Rangers), R Gough (Rangers), M Matipas (Dundee United); P McStay (Catic), G McAllistar (Lects United), S McCall (Rangers), B McCalr (Manchester United), A McCoist (Rangers), G Duris (Tottenham Hotspur) or K Gallacher (Coventry City).

Spackman returns home

NIGEL Spackman yesterday returned to Chelsea from £720,000 for Scott Sellars. Rangers for £485,000 (Louise Taylor writes). Spackman, 31, who can play in midfield or defence, is starting his second spell at Stamford Bridge after leaving Chelsea for Liverpool

Ian Porterfield, the Chelsea manager, needs to reinforce a side weakened by the loss of Paul Elliott for a year with knee ligament damage.

Faeroes will be tricky hurdle

Leeds United must pay their close-season signing from Blackburn Rovers, a transfer tribunal decided yesterday.

Although it priced Sellars at £950,000, Leeds are entitled to a 25 per cent discount because when they sold Sellars to Blackburn for £20,000 six years ago. United were promised 25 per cent of any future

Albania's leading player goes missing in transit

World Cup future may well be decided tonight by a team with tales to tell of missing players and interminable delays upon its belated arrival in Belfast yesterday (Ian Ross

The stories would have been decried as a wholly transparent exercise in pre-match psychology had they not had an all-too-familiar ring to them. The players spent six-and-ahalf hours at Munich airport while the validity of their visas was called into question. "None of my squad has been able to eat or sleep properly over the past 24 hours, "Birge Begakush, the national coach, said. "But we must try and put all of this behind us. I am

NORTHERN Ireland's confident that we will acquit ourselves well." Compounding Begakush's problems is the absence of Sul Demollari. Albania's most experienced player. "He is lost somewhere in Europe," Begakush said.

Billy Bingham, the Northern Ireland manager, will rely on the nucleus of the side which could only draw against Lithuania in the opening, group three qualifying fixture, although Clarke, the Portsmouth forward, will definitely be reinstated. "After the disappointment against Lithuania, we had an excellent result in Germany, drawing 1-1." Bingham said. "But on that occasion we had to play things tight; this time we have to attack and we have to win."

WALES, who have never qualified for the finals of a leading championship, take the field against the Faeroe Islands at the National Stadium in Cardiff tonight knowing that anything other than victory -- and a resounding one at that — would virtually scupper their chances of a place in the 1994 World Cup finals in the United States with the qualifying

tournament still in its infancy. It is, of course, inconceivable that Wales will fail. Their manager, Terry Yorath, is able to call upon an attack (Rush, Hughes, Saunders and Giggs, conservative value £10 million) most international managers would sell their grandmothers for, against a collection of parttimers from an autonomous

By Kerth Pike

Danish province in the north Atlantic, where sheep outnumber humans by two to one and registered football players by ten times that ratio. Or is it? Even at a time when the gap between the best and the rest

at international level is some-times difficult to discern, the Faeroes' 1-0 victory over Austria in a European championship tie two years ago this Saturday -- their first competitive international match -was nothing short of sensational.

That the magic has waned somewhat since then - three ties in the present World Cup tournament have brought the Faeroes three defeats and a 0-12 goal difference - has not hilled Yorath into complacen-

to be to win," he said yesterday. "Everybody would like to see us score loads of goals and play entertaining football, but our priority is to get two points. Putting out an ultraattacking side would be the worst thing I could do." Even so, the temptation to

cy. "Our main priority has got

include Giggs from the start after three appearances as substitute may prove hard to resist, especially in the wake of Wales's 5-1 defeat against Romania in Bucharest in May.

WALES (probable): N Southall (Everton), D Phillips (Norwich City), D Bowen (Norwich City), E Young (Crystal Palace), K Symoor, (Portamouth), C Blackmore (Manchester United), B Home (Everton), M Hughes (Manchester United), G Speed (Leeds United) or R Giggs (Manchester United), I Rush (Liverpool), D Saunders (Liverpool)

TODAY'S FOXTURES

Barclays League Second division

Cellic v Worksop, Knowsley v Radickle;
Warrington v Curzon Ashton
BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier division: Cembridge City v Hastings, Solihuli
v Corby.
PONTINIS CENTRAL LEAGUE (7.0 unless
stated) First division: Blackburn v Sheñladt
Ud, Manchearer Lud v Notingham Fores;
Sunderland v Bernsley. Wolverhampton v
Newcastle Second division: Blackpool v
Port Vale, Burnley v Wogan (7.15); Huddersfield v Bradford, Middlesbrough v Hust,
Oldham v Preston; Sourshorpe v Eventon,
NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBRNATION:
First division: Binghton v Chelsea (7.15):

CRICKET

European group one Swizeland v Scolland (7.15) (în Beme)

Group four

Boston v Wycombe.

HFS LOANS LEAGUE: Premier division:
Bishop Auckland v Gainsborrugh: Fleetwood v Berrow; Mossley v Goole First
division: Alfreton v Shepshed; Farsley
Cettic v Worksop, Knowsley v Radckfle;
Mariemens v Custre Achten.

OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Sussex LORD'S: Middlesex v Warwickshire TRENT BRIDGE: Notinghamshire v TAUNTON: Somerset v Durham Third under-19 Test match

WORCESTER: England v Sri Lanka (11.0) RAPID CRICKETUNE SECOND XI

UNDER-21 INTERNATIONAL MATCH: Scotland v Italy (Kelso, 7 0). TOUR MATCH: Public School Wender-ers v Medicianum Milan (Wasps, 7 0). CILIB MATCHES: Certaint v Certain and District (7 0), Harriquens v Askeans; Rugby v Coventry; Lecester v Lecaster-shire (7 0).

IN BRIEF

Johnson disposes of Parrott

Joe Johnson, the 1986 world champion, beat John Parrott, winner of the title last year, 5-3 in Blackpool yesterday to reach the last 16 of the £150,000 European Open. which is played to a finish in

Belgium next February. Ronnie O'Sullivan, 16, fol-lowed up on his 5-1 victory over Jimmy White in the previous round by beating Jason Weston 5-1.

Mark Williams of Ebbw Vale, and Stephen Lee, of Trowbridge, both aged 17. also progressed to give the composition of the field for the tournament's final stages an additional flavour of youth.

Jahangir can

Squash rackets: Jahangir Khan, the former world champion, yesterday declared himself fit enough to play in the world open in Johannesburg later this month. The Pakistani dropped to No. 5 in the world rankings after back problems forced him out for eight months.

Team banned

Motor racing: The Italian Formula One team, Andrea Moda, have been banned from the 1992 motor racing world championship for tarnishing the image of the sport. Andrea Moda chief. Antonio Sassetti, was arrested two weeks ago and charged with alleged fraud.

Lucky escape

were travelling at 80mph.

Big demand

Golf: More than 4.000 rean increase of more than 100

Outlandos overcome by flurry of late scoring

POLO

THE Guards club's medium-goal autumn league contin-ued at Smith's Lawn, Windsor Great Park, yesterday, a 54-4 win being registered for Chop'n'Santa against Out-landos, and a 72-7 win for Lambourne against Palmera (John Watson writes).

Chop'n'Santa began half a goal up on handicap but Outlandos overtook that advantage in the first chukka and led 3-12 by half-time. However, Chop'n'Santa went 42-4 ahead three minutes before the final bell, after which their pivot, Horacio Fernandez-Llorente, put in a

long dribbling gallop for the 54-4 victory. Lambourne began with a handicap lead of 12 against

Palmera's more formidable lineup, centred on Roddy Wood and the all-England nine-goal captain, Howard Hipwood. Palmera led 5-42 at half-time but Lambourne won by virtue of three penalty conversions from Rafael CONVEISIONS NOM KAIBLE.
Pando in the fourth chulkka.
CHOPPISANTA: 1,W Bond-Elbot (1); 2, M
Amoore (4); 3, H Fernandez-Licrenta (7);
Back B Montson (2).
OUTLANDOS: 1, 8 Webb (1); 2, J Horswell
(5); 3, J JAberta (7), Back: 5 Copeland (1).
LAMBOURNE: 1, K Dislon (1); 2, A Perrott
(5); 3, R Pando (6); Back: J Seebrook (1)
PALMERPA: 1, J Dules (1); 2, R Wood (8); 3,
H Hipwood (9); Back: Shalkh Alhamsan (0).

BOWLS

never won, after two close matches at Worthing yesterday (Gordon Allan writes). He and Andrew Wills beat

and Palmers, Reading, 20-16. This morning Allcock and Wills play Richard Moses and

Allcock in semi-finals

TONY Allcock reached the semi-finals of the EBA pairs championship, a title he has

the 1987 champions, Tommy Armstrong and David Holt, 21-16 and Gary Stacey and his brother, Matt. of Huntley

John Durrant, of Hollingbury Park, Brighton, while the other semi-final is between Andy Thomson and Gary Smith, of Blackheath and Greenwich, and John Wills and lan Carruthers, of Dalston. Cumbria.

FOR THE RECORD

CRICKET RAPID CRICKETLINE SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP, Southermoton: Hamp-shire 414 (RS M Morrs 132, RJ Maru 84; M Jean-Jecques 5-48) v Derbyshire

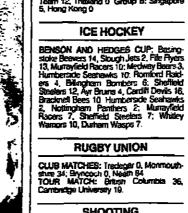
FOOTBALL

NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: Queens Park Rangers 3, Charlton 1; West Ham 1, Arsenal 0.

SUTTON COLDFELD: European sertior women's teem championship: First qualifying round: 308: England (A Duck 75, C Belley 77, A Thompson 78, H Green 78). 324: France. 325: Sweden. 327: Holland: 324: Germany. 336: Spain. 338: Swedenland: 345: Italy BOLTON: Lord Derby/RAM Assistants' tournament: First round: 70: A Colson (Gings Lynn) 71: D Parks (Lundrick). 72: D Crait (Finford Heath), N Turley (Kiddemnster). M Dack (Lyme Regis), C Robinson



(Moontown), G Dermott (Wigen Municipal), D Moon (Enville), J Loughrene (Cotswold Hills), A Mitchell (Wirrel Golf and DR), Y Lunt (Musself Hill) PURUSHIMA, Japan: Intermetional collegiste pournisment; First round: Men: 88: M Olandar (US), S Yo (Japan) 87: K Hosokawa (Japan), 68: R Whittaker (US), P Vadden (Japan) Woman: 69: Y Haga (Japan), 71: C Lambert (GB), A Sison 73: S Mertin (US), LA MANGA, Spein: National boys champlonship: 137: S Webster (Atherstone), 143: A Wall (Sumningdale). HOCKEY



SINGAPORE: Inter-nations women's cup: Group A: Malaysia 1, Zimbatiwe 0: Unified Team 12, Thailand 0: Group B: Singapore 5, Hong Kong 0 ICE HOCKEY BENSON AND HEDGES CUP: Basing-stoke Beavers 14, Stough Jets 2, Fife Flyers 13, Murraylield Racers 10; Medway Bears 3, Humberside Seanawiss 10; Romford Raid-

RUGBY UNION CLUB MATCHES: Tredeger 0, Monmouth-shire 34; Bryncoch 0, Negith 84 TOUR MATCH: British Columbia 36, Cambridge University 19. SHOOTING

Cambray (Devon and Comwall), 147.24, 3, G Walker (Devon and Comwall), 147.17 Standard Platel: 1, R Duclevonth (West Yorks), 554, 3, A Oktroyd (West Yorks), 544 Teams: 1, West Yorks, 2,156; 2, Strathclyde, 2,065, 3, Wast Midlands, 1,907.
BISLEY: North London RC championship: Corrected result: 1, L Orpen-Smelte, 285.30, 2, P Thompson, 281.23; 3, J Messer, 280.33 Grand aggregate: 1, Messer, 346.43, 2, Orpen-Smelte, 338.36; 3, Thompson, 338.29

BLACKPOOL: Europeen open qualifying (England unless stated): Third round: 7 Griffith (Wales) bt C Scanion, 5-2, J Pernoti bt J Wellace, 5-0: M Williams (Wales) bt J Wattane (Thai), 5-3: A Drago (Maisa) bt C Thoroum (Can), 5-0. S Hendry (Soci) bt J Wych (Can), 5-1; J Johnson bt A Cavles (Wales), 5-1; D J Johnson bt A Cavles (Wales), 5-1; D J Sohnson bt R Payne, 5-2: M Healert bt D Dele. 5-3: J Woodman bt P Francisco (SA), 5-2: M Price bt W Thorne, 5-3. A Robiotoux (Can) bt A Meo, 5-4; M Johnston-Atlan bt S Mésud (Aus), 5-4; N Bornd to A Hingpire (N Ire), 5-4; D Mountou bt A Hams, 5-3: Fourth round: R O'Sullivan bt J Weston, 5-1; D Mountjoy (Wales) bt P Ebdon, 5-2: D Morgan (Wales) bt D Carles, 5-4; A Helis bt G Wilkinson, 5-2: M Bennett (Wales) bt T Griffith (Wales), 5-2: S Lee bt M Clark, 6-1; S Jarres bt D Reynolds, 5-0. S Davis bt R Lawler, 5-2: J Johnston-Allen bt Robiotox, 5-4; M Williams (Wales) bt D Roynolds, 5-0. S Davis bt R Lawler, 5-2: J Johnston-Allen bt Robiotox, 5-4; M Williams (Wales) bt D Roynolds, 5-0. S Davis bt R Lawler, 5-2: Taylor bt M Heliett, 5-2: S Hendry (Scot) bt J Woodman, 5-2.

SPEEDWAY

FOOTBALL (kick-off 7 30 unless stated) International match World Cup

Group three Northern Ireland v Albania (8.0) (at Windsor Park). Republic of Ireland v Latvia (5.0).... (at Lansdowne Road)

West Bromwich v Reading... Coca-Cola Cup First round, second leg Northampton v Gittingham GM Vauxhall Conference

as soon as possible." the state of the s

Jones, executive director of the PGA, said: "The demand has heen spectacular. The tickets are being allocated on a first come, first served basis and I would urge golf fans to apply

Rallying: Tino Salonen. of Finland, got out of his Citroen ZX just before it exploded during the fourth stage of the Paris-Peking rally yesterday. Salonen and his co-driver, Christian Delferier, leapt from their car after it caught fire without warning while they

quests for Ryder Cup tickets have reached the Professional Golfers' Association, despite per cent in prices. The match is still a year away but Sandy

AMERICAN FOOTBALL NATIONAL LEAGUE (NFL): Dalies Cov-boys 23, Washington Redsions 10. BASEBALL

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Britannic Assúrance county championship

10.30, 110 overs minimum DERBY: Derbyshire v Essex CANTERBURY: Kent v Glamorgan

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Taylor looks forward to England's renaissance



IN SANTANDER GRAHAM Taylor yesterday opened the second half of his national managerial career with a significant change of emphasis. England, he promises, will play with a new sense of positive adventure until his contract is scheduled to end after the World Cup finals in

FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

the United States in 1994. The policy is to start here tonight, when England will line up against Spain with a broad attack featuring four forwards, and will continue throughout a World Cup qualifying competition which begins at Wembley stadium against Norway next month

That, anyway, is the theory. Taylor has so regularly contradicted himself that there may be before long another shift in his plans. Nevertheless, his intentions are refresh-

ing in the light of England's negative contribution to the European championship in June, when they scored one goal in three ties. "The major disappointment so far has been the fact that we enough," he conceded yesterday. "You need winning tac-tics and you need entertaining tactics. Generally, we've got

if there is a choice, that is the way you would want it. It is difficult to get the right

the winning tactics right and.

only of any use when you put one in at the other end. We had two goalless draws during the European championship and where did that get us?"

Instead of relying almost wholly on the instincts of Gary Lineker, who scored more than a third of England's 34 goals in the last two years, aylor has spread the responsibility along a wide front line. Intriguingly, it includes not Brian Deane, as had been supposed, but Nigel Clough.

Deane would be ideally suited to the long-ball game, a system which Taylor unequivocally indicated he would in future be employing. His declaration provoked criticism

suggests that he was not thinking clearly and rationally at the time.

D White (Man Coy) ... D Platt (Juventus) ...

He claims he was bermised by Sweden's daring approach during the decisive 2-1 defeat. "I had been led to believe that

iust seen a side do that to put us out of the championship. Thus, England are to adopt their conqueror's ways.

Instead of selecting Deane. which might have attracted further unfavourable comments, Taylor has recalled one of the three players who were inactive throughout the whole tournament. Clough, in an article published in a local newspaper, expressed his frustration about being left on the

Like the national manager he professed yesterday that his words were misrepresented Clough even went as far as to persuade the sports editor responsible for his weekly

land manager to clarify and explain the truth of his argument. Evidently, he has been forgiven and the precision of his distribution will be a vital component in the new attacking force.

Clough, like the two players making their first international appearances, has been asked merely to reproduce his club form. Ince, who wins his first cap in midfield, and White, the prolific winger from the other side of Manchester, have so far been outstanding for their respec-tive clubs. On paper, they

Ironically. Spain's manager admires the English way of playing and is designing his

promise to augment an excit-

side in the mirror-image. He has picked three members of the team which collected the gold medal in the Olympic Games in Barcelona last month. All three are defenders whose duty will be to restrain two of the Premier League's leading goalscorers. Shearer

Not since 1960 has England been defeated on Spanish soil but Taylor prefers to ignore such statistics. "We mustn't be frightened of losing." he said. "We must start the second phase of my career by not being inhibited."

English football lurches towards another crisis

Kelly fears for future of Premier League

By STUART JONES, FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT, IN SANTANDER

REPRESENTATIVES of six leading chibs will gather today to discuss the preservation of the FA Premier League. During the opening months of the inaugural season, such deep rifts have developed within the new organisation that Graham Kelly, chief executive of the Football Association, fears

it may become ungovernable. Almost as soon as he arrived here with the England team on Monday, he learned of the latest constitutional crisis. Eight clubs — Arsenal, Aston Villa, Everton, Leeds United, Liverpool, Manchester United. Nottingham Forest, and Queens Park Rangers - had

MANCHESTER United and

Liverpool will lead the search

for a way out of the impasse

which threatens the existence

of the FA Premier League. The two have agreed to attend a meeting in Manchester this

morning to discuss the break-down which led to a walk-out

muscle-flexing," Martin Ed-

wards, the chairman and chief

executive of Manchester Uni-ted, said yesterday. "And per-haps it was necessary, but hopefully now is the time to

United and Liverpool are

regarded as the most moder-

ate of the leading clubs, and

with Arsenal and Crystal Pal-ace both excluded, the attempt

is to bring together the moderates on both sides.

The action of the eight

"platinum dubs", in signing

their separate agreement with Doma for advertising hoard-ings, has provoked the most

determined reaction so far

"It is a question of seeing whether this group of eight is going to be used as a blocking

from the smaller clubs.

There has been a lot of

at Monday's meeting.

cles and rejected the offer from Bass to sponsor the Premier

Believing that the blocking vote had been used for the sake of clubs that are backed by rival brewers, the other 14 clubs were incensed. They are convinced not only that their own interests are being ig-nored but also that there is no

Martin Edwards, the chairman of Manchester United. and Peter Robinson, chief executive of Liverpool, were alarmed by the extent of the disunity. They contacted Rick Parry, the chief executive of stitution of the Premier the Premier League, and sug-

Edwards leads search for

the common ground

between conflicting sides

By PETER BALL

Monday was a one-off, then

we'll have to listen, but we'll

still have to see what kind of

assurances we get, and that will determine whether we can

sort this out as a group."

Some cynics suspect that,

having achieved their imme-

diate objective, the big clubs will be in conciliatory mood.

Edwards said: "We have clear-

ly got teething problems, but

that is not surprising when you look at Wimbledon with a

turnover of £1 million and us

Before any consensus can be

reached there will be plenty of

plain speaking. "What is hap-

pening is that in the Founder

with £20 million."

gested that a meeting should be urgently convened during might be heard.

The proposal was immediately accepted. The other clubs involved are likely to include Southampton, Oldham Athletic and probably Sheffield Wednesday as well as either Chelsea or Tottenham Hotspur. Conveniently spread geographically, they represent an appropriate cross-section of the Premier League and the outcome of

> their talks is critical. Unless mutual agreement is reached, the complicated con-

Members' Agreement, equal

shares of TV income was

agreed, along with overseas sales and sponsorship," Ed-wards said, "then suddenly on

the agenda centralised adver-

tising hoardings crops up.
"It takes away individual clubs' freedom, it brings in secondary sponsors which de-

What is coming next? One kit

deal and shirt sponsorship for the whole league?

"The big clubs have been more disadvantaged by the TV deal, with playing on Sundays and Mondays alien-

ating their supporters, and

we've had our sponsorhips

devalued the most by the switch to satellite TV with its small audiences. That affected

the major clubs the most, and

now suddenly there are these

☐ Graham Kelly, the FA's

chief executive, responded to the latest Premier League troubles by urging for it to be reduced to 18 clubs. Kelly,

pointed out that the FA is not

the lame duck it might appear. Kelly said: "We have given notice to the Premier League

other issues coming up."

have to be abandoned. If block votes continue to be employed by the eight clubs, the other 14 would be entitled to claim the system is unfair.

Realistically, they can already sense that it is weighed too heavily against them. In that case, there are three alternative solutions to a problem that could have been forseen when Kelly's blueprint was revealed some 18 months ago. Since then, it has been so diluted as to be virtually unrecognisable.

The Premier League could be run by either a management committee or by the FA. On past evidence, that would be equivalent to sailing in a sea of confusion or drifting aimlessly. The third choice, persistently promoted in these pages, is for a firm and

be put in charge.

Chairmen have for so long been justifiably accused of being avaricious, blindly selfinterested and egotistical that even the wildest optimist cannot expect 22 of them to act for the benefit of the game as a whole. However honourably, they believe only in their own

Instead of fighting for the common good, they have arranged themselves into two groups and engaged in an undignified and childish political conflict. The petulance may yet extend as far as to end the courteous custom of inviting opposing directors into the

host's boardroom.

Several clubs among the 14 feel so strongly that they are refusing to transfer any of their players to the other eight. For that reason, Crystal Palace were not prepared to allow Geoff Thomas to move to Arsenal, even for an absurdly

inflated fee of £3 million. More ominously, the likes of Derby County, Newcastle United, Sunderland and West Ham United may soon be approached and asked whether they would consider leaving the Football League and forming a separate division of 18 chubs.

That, as everybody appreci-

ates, should have been the size of the Premier League this season; and that was the figure in Kelly's original concept. He flew home yesterday morning aware that his idea, apart from being extensively altered, has started in such disarray that there can be no guarantee that it will end its first season in



Familiarisation exercise: Gascoigne getting back in to the England routine during training yesterday Gascoigne seeks unlikely goal

Santander: For a while here, it has been possible to envisage Paul Gascoigne representing England again (Stuart Jones Rome, he has apparently writes). Reunited at long last done everything that has with his international col- been asked of him and more. leagues, he has frolicked on

in England's midfield, but is it a mirage? Gascoigne may habitually defy convention and he could indeed recover 17lb since the summer holi-

scaled. to resume his career, he nobody should question his appreciates that he cannot afford to rush back, either to attend both of Lazio's daily for his Italian club or subsepractices, he is described by quently for his country.

Nobody should doubt his the periphery of training sessions and insists that he will soon be able to play a full part for his country.

The prospect is immensely appealing, particularly in view of the lack of invention out hesitation. "Definitely,"

from his horrendous knee days, and he appears to have injuries, but even he may not gained maturity during his realistically be expected to prolonged recuperation. Al-reach the peaks he once though he can scarcely wait He hopes that his first official appearance for Lazio will be against his old club, Tottenham Hotspur, on September 23. The league fixture at home to Genoa four days later may be his first competitive match since he lost his head in last year's

Yet he could be dogged by the niggling injuries that have delayed his return. He revealed that his latest complaint, a pulled thigh muscle, has troubled him twice before and also that he cannot bend his right leg as

FA Cup final.

much as his left. He is still not allowed to take part in any physical contact, he cannot strike the ball forcefully with his right foot and he admits that he is well short of the required level of fitness. In spite of his own conviction, the extent of has yet to be revealed.

That he can seriously consider an international future is a tribute to his courage and seemingly reformed character. As Paul Lake has recently discovered at gery can leave more than a permanent scar. Gascoigne, who specialises in twisting and turning, is likely to be afflicted by the residual effects of his wounds.

He could reappear for England, perhaps in the World Cup qualifying tie at home to San Marino in February, and he promises to play as before, "with a smile on my face". That, at least, will make a change to the image of him crying at the end of the World Cup semi-final two years ago.

system in the future to thwart that we want to talk about a majority wishes," Ian Stott. the chairman of Oldham, reduction to 18 clubs at the earliest opportunity. We want said, "or whether it was just to to be assured we are going to achieve one objective. If they seriously maintain its use on reach that target as soon as

BY PATRICIA DAVIES

Davies recaptures confidence

LAURA Davies was disappointed not to win the Rail Charity Classic in Springfield, lilinois on Labor Day on Monday, but losing in a playoff to Nancy Lopez, one of the all-time greats, was no

third and final round of 64, eight under par, to come from three shots behind Davies, the leader after 36 holes. The two tied on 199, 17 under par, one shot ahead of Florence Descampe, the talented Bel-66 and 67, but still finished

who had started the day a shot ahead of the American trio of 66 that would win her the title. "It looked in all the way." she said, "but broke across the hole and stayed out."

yards, was also the first extra hole and Davies hit what she thought was a perfect seveniron but the wind caught it and the ball dropped into a bunker, short of the green. She played out to about eight feet and knew she had to hole when Lopez, who was on in two, rolled her 30-foot putt to

career - and Davies's second play-off defeat. In June, Anne-Marie Palli, of France, beat however, has won in Europe and this latest result confirmed her return to form after a shaky start to the season. 'I've got my confidence back," she said. "and I go out there

feeling I can do well now." She flew home yesterday \$41.891 richer — Lopez won \$67.500 - to concentrate her attention on Europe. She starts with the Italian Open next week.

Davies was realistic when it came to assessing the European side's chances against the Americans in the Solheim Cup. "They're very confident, and rightly so." she said. "We're the outsiders and you'd have to be silly to suggest anything else. They'd have to be something like 1-3 on, with

Australian coaching job

ADRIAN Moorhouse, the British gold medal-winner in the 100 metres breastroke at the Olympic Games in Seoul, is to be interviewed for the position of breaststroke coach at the Australian Institute of Sport in Canberra (Craig Lord

As a member of the institute squad last year, he can expect to be one of the leading

Moorhouse, 28, would prefer a job helping to develop young talent in this country. The Yorkshireman, who leaves today for a tour of Singapore and Hong Kong. where he will conduct swimming clinics, has made no secret of his desire to put back something back into the sport

He believes that the experience gained from ten years of being one of the leading three breaststroke swimmers in the

world should not be wasted. "I'm familiar with the Australian Institute and look forward to talking with them about the job," he said. "Obviously, though, I'm also keen to stay involved in the sport here

in Britain." Moorhouse was persuaded to apply for the post by Terry Gathercole, the present in-cumbent, who will be retiring for health reasons in

December. Rob de Castella, the director of the Australian institute, said he was keen to talk to Moorhouse but had also noted the swimmer's lack of experience as a coach.

Moorhouse lined up for | Yorkshire move upsets Close

By MARTIN SEARBY

YORKSHIRE confirmed last night that Richie Richardson. the West Indies captain, would be their next overseas player in succession to Sachin Tendulkar, a decision which left Brian Close considering his future as chairman of the

cricket committee. Despite the general committee asking Close to come up with the names of three bowlers he was forced, on a 4l vote, to recommend Richardson, 30, who has played 63

"This decision came about through considerations which were purely financial and nothing at all to do with cricket," Close said last night "It is plain for all to see we need a bowler and, like last

year, we have ended up with a

batsman who, as Sachin proved, will not win you trophies in the modern game."

One of the compelling reasons behind Yorkshire's decision is that Yorkshire Television will pay the wages of anybody who falls within their criterion of "a player of international repute". Bowlers such as Kenneth Benjamin, Anderson Cummins and the South African, Craig Mat-

thews, did not qualify.
Sir Lawrence Byford, the county president and chairman, defended the decision. "We have searched the world at great cost to myself to find a bowler and there just isn't one

Mark Ramprakash, who has paid the penalty for disci-

plinary problems with Middlesex by being left out of both England winter tours, is planning a winter of rest and reassessment of his approach to the game.

"I wish people had spoken to me a little bit more throughout the season to guide me about the handling of all the things that go with being a Test cricketer," he said. 'It would have been nice to have had a mentor."

Jack Russell, the Gloucestershire wicketkeeper, overlooked for the tour of India, also expressed his disappointment. "I know I missed a couple of chances against Pakistan and perhaps fell one per cent off the standard I have set. But I couldn't have batted better this

patten orde

Lopez produced a stunning gian, who had rounds of 66,

On the 54th hole, Davies,

putt for a birdie three and the

The 18th, a par four of 376

It was Lopez's first victory of the year — the 45th of her Betsy King, Rosie Jones and the Englishwoman in the be something lil Michelle McGann, had a 15ft ShopRite Classic. Davies, us 3-1 against."

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WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 9 1992

Beethoven jumps into the bathtub

Richard Ingrams tunes in to Radio 3's

new commercial rival and finds that

snippets of great music rather than long obscure compositions are perfectly

acceptable before breakfast

always thought that the trou-ble with Radio 3 was not, as some of its critics maintained. that they gave too much time to modern music. (It was true that the late Hans Keller, the noted musicologist, made a noble if utterly misguided attempt to make the British enjoy the music of Schoenberg. But the campaign was long ago abandoned.) No, the trouble with Radio 3 was, and still is, that too much obscure music ancient and modern - was featured in preference to the really

From the broadcaster's point of view, the great thing about classical music is just how much there is of it that is undeniably of the first rank. If you take the complete works merely of the very greatest composers (Bach, Handel, Mozart, Haydn, Beethoven, Schubert, Schumann, Brahms: all prolific geniuses) you have more than enough music to last you a lifetime without any risk of becoming bored.

Yet all too often one has the impression that the people in charge of Radio 3 are bored. Sometimes it seems as if they will do anything to dig out a recording of some dim old piece of Georg Philipp Telemann or (most apport Philipp Telemann or (most annoyingly) an arrangement of a well-known piece by, say, Mozart, done by someone else for an unlikely and unprepossessing combination of

I remember raising the point recently on Radio 4's Start the Week, with John Drummond, the retiring controller of Radio 3. My special concern was the early morning programmes which are, for most of us working folk, the only music we are likely to listen to in the course of a weekday. Even Mr Drummond conceded that a lot of the music was insufficiently remarkable to be listened to first thing in the morning, when what was really wanted by listeners was something rousing like a Haydn symphony or one of Bach's Brandenburg Concertos (so long as it was not played on those awful "authentic" instruments).

However, I have detected little change in the menu since Nicholas Kenyon, the new Radio 3 controller, took over. Mind you, judging from the correspondence columns in this newspaper and elsewhere, you would be forgiven for thinking that the roof had fallen in.

What changes have come about on Radio 3 - and I for one will not mourn the passing of those precious, plumny-voiced BBC announcers who sometimes had difficulty knowing which side of the record to put on — have been made in anticipation of the coming of Classic FM, the new commercial station. On Monday, it finally came on air, with just the sort of rousing thing you want to hear at 6am: Handel's coronation anthem, Zadok the Priest. I was prepared to be tolerunt after such a good start, especially since Radio 3 does not get going until a good hour later.

Of course the main criticism of Classic FM is that because of its need to carry regular advertisements, it is unable to broadcast fulllength symphonies or concertos (at least during the peak morning and early evening periods) and is there-

THE EXPERT VIEW

WHAT does the classical music business think of the way that music is presented on Classic FM? Has the commercial station's curious promise to offer "classical music dressed by Benetton" been fulfilled? Simon Tait asked some of the leading administrators in the musical world for their verdicts on the first day's output:



Brian McMaster (Director, Edin-burgh Festival): It is wonderful to have a classicál music station, and we will have to get used to

hearing music in bleeding chunks. I didn't mind the commercials or the bits in between the music; they are the price we pay. I don't think we were supposed to hear someone saying to Henry Kelly [presenter of the mid-morn-ing programme] "read it with a normal voice", but it is an indication of what was going on in the studio. Fuddy-duddies like me will have to adjust to the style.



(Director-designate, Royal Opera): My radio is permanently tuned to Radio 3. but my PA really believes that classi-cal music in bite-

sized chunks is going to be the trend. What I'm less relaxed about is that before the CD had finished the announcer was telling me about some lorry shedding its load. But when they put on Klemperer conducting the last movement of Beethoven's Pastoral, that was magical. I only wish they wouldn't keep on about "the most beautiful music in the world".



(Artistic director, South Bank Centre): The advent of Classic FM will help Radio 3: the latter won't now have to worry about leaving

the high ground in search of audiences, and BBC planners shouldn't lose their nerve about this. I hope that the Classic FM producers will trust the public a little bit more in the future and give them whole pieces instead of just short extracts or movements. Klemperer's wonderful interpreta-tion of the last movement of the Pastoral Symphony only really makes sense if you know what has gone before. They could say, for example, "Here's an excerpt from the Pastoral, and we will be playing the whole piece at 5pm tomorrow."

fore, of necessity, limited to snippets, short works or extracts. This is an argument that will be used against it ad nauseum by musical

But again - looking at it from the point of view of the working man or woman tuning in for a short time in the bath or over breakfast — the last thing he or she feels inclined to do is settle down for

a leisurely appreciation of Mussorgsky's Pictures at an Exhibition. And there is a perfectly respectable tradition for programming snippets, as you can see if you look at the concert programmes of the last century, when it was quite rare for a long work to be per-

cannot do enough of.

formed in its entirety.

Before listening to a single movement from Tchaikovsky's It all comes down again to the question of what you play, rather Pathétique Symphony we have to tormented life", as if this is in some way going to enhance our enjoyment of the work. And after a Prokofiev extract he feels he has to say: "That music is used for a certain perfume advertisement; I'm

I will forgive them all these things, even the regular news of contraflows on the M4, if they really stick to their mission to broadcast "the world's most beautiful music". So far what I have heard has been more than acceptable: a movement from Mozart's Juniter Symphony, a violin piece by Kreisler, even a movement from one of Bach's suites for unaccompa-

Quite apart from that, we live in a world in which we are all in danger of being drowned by loud and degrading rock music, pouring out

he told that the composer "had a ners. The arrival of Classic FM. providing a real alternative (however commercial, however scrappy ought to be welcomed and supported.

Speaking of the great composers, Sir Yehudi Menuhin referred recently in Gstaad to the need for us to acknowledge "a debt to the great spirits of the past who are still part of our lives today and who thus contrive to protect and to rescue us from brutality, worthlessness and extinction". I see Classic FM, in a small way, trying to do just that.

TOMORROW

Clint is back. After a string of box office flops he has a hit on his hands, as the star of a savagely pessimistic Western



BAGPIPES. WHISKY,

TARTANS & TWEEDS.

NORTH SIDE OF THE BORDER?

NO. SOUTH SIDE OF PICCADILLY.

Simpson, that bastion of Englishness in Piccadilly, has suddenly gone a bit Scottish. From the 7th to the 26th of September, there'll be free whisky tastings on the third floor, kilt and sporran making demonstrations on the first and there'll even be rippling rock pools and fly-fishing tackle on the ground. You simply must drop in – even if it's just for a pair

of Argyle socks.





Launch day: Henry Kelly presenting the mid-morning programme for Classic FM, the first commercial radio station in Great Britain to broadcast nationally

(Chief executive, English National Opera): An awful lot of hogwash is being talked about what Nicholas Kenyon is

trying to do as Radio 3's new controller, and about him moving the network downmarket. Classic FM is making good music a reason to hang a popular commercial radio station on. It would be nice if they could do whole operas, perhaps further on in the day when a little more meat is required. If I have a negative comment about the first day it is that there were not enough arresting moments, other than the bomb at the Hilton. But there must be a tremendous market for Classic FM in supplementing what Radio 3

completely subjective as to whether one likes music like this - one piece after the next — instead of the Radio 3 format we are used to, but the two will fit well together. The best thing is that from now on there will be double the amount of classical music on the airwaves.

than how much you play of it. Classic FM announces itself, with irritating regularity, as offering the world's most beautiful music" But the morning announcer has a perhaps over-chatty style and feels obliged to supply us with "informa-tion" — the bane of modern life.

(Managing direc-tor, London Phil-

harmonic): Classic

FM is very crisp.

and the news is very

professionally done. The whole slant of

the station, and the feel of it, is different from Radio 3, but it

certainly had me snapping my

fingers and tapping my feet. I was

prepared to have collections of pieces linked by a theme, but the

music was so wonderful that if there was a theme I missed it. It's

sure you recognised it."

There will be people - many of

them, I imagine, working for Radio 3 - who will sneer at such an "undemanding" diet; I see nothing wrong with it. Personally, I would rather listen to a single movement from a Mozart symphony than to a whole batch of bassoon concertos by C.P.E. Bach.

from almost every radio wave-length in the world, and applauded and analysed now even by "serious" critics in "serious" newspa-

this ghastly notion to its natural bathetic extreme. A man could be

shown reprimanding a cat that has

unaccountably stalked out of the

And lo, there came a warning about my stew

n times of stress, I firmly believe, you must reach for the family Bible, close your eyes tight, allow the book to drop open, and stab the page forcefully with a compass point wielded in a ran-dom are. The idea is not just that the violence of the act will make you feel better (although it does), but that fortune will somehow guide you to a relevant helpful passage. while at the same time miraculously preventing you from impaling your other hand to the desk.

Superstitious? Certainly, and especially the last bit. But I am sure I have seen evidence of its efficacy, if only in the movies. You know: gangsters staring agape in shock when the book falls open at "Be sure your sin will find you out" (Numbers xxxii, 23) just seconds before a curtained window is suddenly blown to smithereens a couple of feet behind them. Anyway, spending a lot of time

on my own, I sometimes devote the odd couple of hours to testing the theory of Bible-dropping, rather as if i were an infinite number of monkeys bent on disproving the notion of dramatic genius. The happy sound of "Wump! Slash! Ahhah!" sometimes emanates from my flat all day long. Where other people might, as a matter of course. consult Patric Walker or the I

Ching (or Spillikins) before applying for a job or taking a trip abroad. there are days when I scarcely plan a journey to the post box without first securing some random canonical go-ahead from Deuteronomy in

I don't take it seriously, not really. But on the other hand I have had some pretty startling results. Take the other day. I had been experi-menting in the kitchen again, and had concocted a rather interesting Lentil and Pink Marshmallow Bolognese in a saucepan. Obviously I now required guidance: should I take a picture of it before slinging it in the bin? I shut my eyes, flipped open the good book, poked it with the bread knife, and what do you think it said? It said: "What is this thou hast done?" (Genesis iii, 13). Blimey. How spooky. I tried it again. Wump! Slash! "Ah-hah!" And this time I got II Kings iv, 40: "There is death in the pot."

Sometimes the messages are a bit mysterious. Once, when I had been drawing losers for hours — "Go up. thou bald head" (?): "And they spoiled the Egyptians" (?) — and wumping and slashing like an early agricultural machine in Tess of the D'Urbervilles, I suddenly got a rather grumpy-sounding "As a dog returneth to his vomit, so a fool returneth to his folly (Proverbs

SINGLE LIFE

Bible-stabbing and

Lynne Truss tried

saw that it was good



locvi, 11), which drew me up short for a minute. Some significance here, perhaps? Naturally, I decided

to have another go. And this time I got "The dog is returned to his vomit again" (II Peter ii, 22). Weird, eh? But completely unfathomable, alas, Anyway, the reason I mention all this is that I recently discovered a

religious bookshop one rainy after-noon, and flicking through Bibles ("Why stand ye here all the day idle?" met my gaze immediately, so I knew things were running to form), I discovered a rack of biblical posters. And much as 1 dislike slander in matters of taste, these posters were truly horrid — in the classical sense of making all your hair stick out like spines on a hedgehog. Who could be responsible for these ghastly things, I wondered. I could only suppose that the infinite number of monkeys had been up to their tricks.

imagine, if you will, two large fluffy ducklings waddling away down a country lane at sunset, with underneath the legend "Can two walk together, except they be agreed?". I mean, is this sick, or what? A pair of cute kids hold hands in a lush pasture, bathed in summer light, and one holds out a daisy-chain to the other. "God loveth a cheerful giver," it says. Two tiger cubs embrace roughly, evidently mindful of the injunction of: "Let not the sun go down upon your wrath." I ask you, what a paltry use of the imagination. I nearly produced some new vomit to

come back to later on. But on the other hand, I did rush potential application for this unhome with a whole new sense of usual hobby of mine. Browsing in a purpose. My idea was simple: take room half-way through the East-Enders omnibus: "What," he says, in a speech bubble, "Could ye not watch with me one hour?" Good, eh? A woman, evidently frazzled from shopping, could be shown consulting a list in a dusty foreign market, and looking jolly peeved. "Is there no balm in Gilead?" could be written underneath. I hope my posters will give pleasure somewhere. Meanwhile I shall cheerfully continue with my Bible-bashing. I got "We have as it

were brought forth wind" the other day (Isaiah xxvi. 18), and I can't say it hasn't given me lots to think about. An acquaintance has gently suggested to me that any big book - telephone directory, Argos Catalogue - will work equally well for my purposes, but I suspect this is a fallacy. Faced with a dilemma, surely nobody wants to know that the answer is an automatic petfeeder, or "Mr H. MacGuire, 26 Fulwell Gardens, W6". Unless of course (by some remote probability) you are Mrs MacGuire, suffering from amnesia. Or you have suddenly acquired an infinite number of monkeys, all demanding meals at funny intervals.

preferred: still a different one that there's an increase in struggle with. Rhythmically Sunday (Cynthia Haymon).

HAMLET: Alan Pirkman heads a strong cast in Robert Saurua's new production of Shakespeare's play which oness in London before which opens an amount of Bracticro, Nottingham, Barrow-in-Furness and Talisi. The supporting cast wastales Geraldine McEwan, David Burke, Michael Byrne, Julia Ford, Riverside Studios, Chop Road, London W6 (081-748 3354), prenews

from tonight, 7.30pm, opens Tuesday IT RUNS IN THE FAMILY: New Ray Cooney comedy, likely to put a new wist on the lamilia misunderstandings. With John Quayle, Sandra Dichnson and Cooney himsel see leature, page 3). Playhouse, Northumberland Avenue,

WC2 (071-839 4401). Preva Fn, Spm, Sat, 8, 30pm, mais Thurs, 3pm and Sat, 4,30pm, INVENTION THROUGH REASON, THE HOPES OF MANIOND, THE DREAMS OF YOUTH: Possibly the lengthy till of the show derived fro Faborica Italiana Apparecchianure Fabbruca Italiana Apparecchiature Radioelectriche's international painting competition reflects the aspiranoins of the company itself, which specialises in high technology engineering systems. Carch a similar company in Britain celebrating its 50th anniversary by sponsoung a price for Minimal and Conceptual Art. Overall winner out of 50 artists under 30 is the Scot Callum hines, whose mystemposty marrial.

 AMPHIBIANS: Superb ensemble playing in Billy Roche's robust elegy for a fighing community to Mindord histing community in Wisdord.
The Pit, Barbican Centre, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight, tomorrow, 7pm, mat tomorrow, 2pm, 130mins. DEATH AND DANCING: The love

hines, whose mystemously meremal painting evokes organic processes of staining and eroding. Other winners are three italians, one American, and one British, Andrew Bick

of two androgynes, written and performed by Claire Downie (who wrote Why is John Lennon Wearing Skat?) with Mark Pinkosh, from the Hampian company Stanung Artists BAC, 176 Lavender Hill, SW11 (071-223 2223) Tues-Sat, Spm, Sun, Spm DEATH AND THE MAIDEN: Are

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El GRAND HOTEL: Musical barley sugar Berlin in the Twenties. Sentimental, American, entertaining. Dominion, Tottenham Court Road, W1 (071-580 9562). Mon-Sat, Spm, mats Thurs, Sat, 2,30pm, 120mins.

FROM A JACK TO A KING: Withy and stylish version of Macbeth's climb to the top, set in the world of rock bands and packed with Sixiles songs.
Ambassadors, West Street, London.
WC2 (071-836 6111). Mon-Thurs,
8.15pm, Fn and Sat. 5.30pm and
8.30pm. 120mins. ☐ **HECUBA:** Trojan women struggle

L) Hacusas: Ingan women saugge from grief to revenue; engrossing production of Europides by new artistic director Laurence Boswel. Gate, 11 Pembridge Road, W11 (071-229 0706), Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, 105mms ☐ JACK'S OUT: Murder and madness among Catholics in Brighton. First play by Danny Miller, often laut but slack in places. Lots of blood. places, Lots of bloom, Bush, Shepherds Bush Green, W12 (081-743 3388) Mon-Sat, Spm.

☐ THE MADRAS HOUSE: Roger Allam heads a strong cast in Granville comedy, set in a fashion house Lyric Hammersmith, king Street, W6 (081-741 2311). Mon-Sac, 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2.30pm, 180mins. A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM:

TODAY'S EVENTS

A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Kari Knight

Accademia Italiana, 24 Rutland Gate. London SV/7 (071-225 3474), Tues-Sat, 19am-5 30pm (Vied to 8pm), Sun, 2-

COSI FAN TUTTE. As comedies go, Cosi is fairly harrowing stuff, and a performance that underplays the darker aspects can never do the work darker aspects can never do the work full austice. Jurgen Gosch's production, Noweers, at least on its first outing at Scottish Opera a couple of years ago, could be accused of going to the opposite enumer and laying undue emphasis on gloom night from the start. Things may have changed in this revual by Graham Devlin. In any case, Nina Brites's striking semi-abstract designs offer visual compensation. The lowers are sung by Anne Williams-King, Elizabeth McCormack, Kewa Anderson and Martin Higgins. Allonso is Gordon Sandison, Despina is Sally Harrison. Justin Brown conducts.

THE SCHOOL OF NIGHT: Alarmist Theatre's production, hot from Edinburgh, about the murky world anabated by Christopher Marlowe, his

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London

House full, returns only

production is long and murky but

rradiated with magical mages. National (Olivier), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252), Toroght-Thurs,

7.15pm, mat Thurs, 2pm. 145mms.

☐ MURDER BY MISADVENTURE:

Gerald Harper and William Gaunt play crime writers who fall out and pri their

the-mil tholer. wontehall, Whitehall, SW1 (071-867

THE CEDIPUS PLAYS: Gerard

1119). Mon-Frì, 8pm, Sat, 8.30pm, mats Wed 2.30pm, Sat, 5.30pm.

☐ THE OEDIPUS PLAYS: Gerard Murphy in the tute role of Adnan Noble's thrilling trilogy, first seen last year at Stratford. With Linda Marlowe and John Shrapnel.

Barbican Theattre, Barbican Centre, EC2 (071-638 8891). Artigone: tonight, 7.15pm, 90mins; complete trilogy, tomorrow, 4.30pm (ends 10.45pm).

PHILADELPHIA, HERE I COME!

CI PRIADELTIA, FIENE I COMBET Brian Fine?s affectionate comedy of an insh emugrant and his carping after ego, A revival to be cherished. Wyndham?s, Chamig Cross Road, WC2 (171-867 1116). Mon-Fri, 8pm, Sat, 8.15pm, mats Wed, 3pm, Sat, 5pm. 140mms.

WITHE RISE AND FALL OF LITTLE
VOICE: Terrific performance by Alison
Steadman as the reacous statem or Jim
Cartwright's play about dreams, shyness
and homble mothers.
National (Cottesloe), South Bank,
SE) (071-928 2252), Today, 2.30pm
and 7.30pm, 150mers.

SMADES: Pauline Collins forn between her child, mum and manifiend in Shaman Macdonald's disappointing new play, only sporadially absorbing. Albery, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-867 1115). Mon-Sat, Sprin, mats Thurs, Smr. Sat. Apm. 120mus.

☐ SIX DEGREES OF SEPARATION:

☐ Seats at all prices

Theatre Royal, Hope Street, Glasgow (041-332 9000), opens tonight,

artist in John Guare's fine play on human inter-dependence. Counedy, Parition Street, SWI (071-867 1045), Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Wed, 3pm and Sat, 4pm, 90mms. THEATRE GUIDE

> STRAIGHT AND NARROW:
> Nicholas Lyndhurst, Ner Daglish and
> Carmel McSharry in likeable comedy about a doting mother's womes. notably her gay son. Aldwych, Aldwych WC2 (071-836)

6404). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Wed, 3pm, Sat, 5pm, 130mms. Final week. ☐ A WOMAN OF NO IMPORTANCE

Wed, Sat, 2.30pm. 165mins. LONG RUNNERS: SI Blood Brothers: Phoenix (071-867 1044) Buddy: Victona Palace (071-834 1317)

(071-494 5070) ... ☐ An Evening
With Gary Lineker: Duches (071-494
5075) ☐ Five Guys Named Moe:
Lyrx (071-494 5045) ... ☐ Good
Roddin' Tonite: Prince of Wales (071839 5971) ... ☐ Joseph and the
Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat:
Paladum (071-494 5037) ... ☐ Me
and My Girl: Adelph (071-836
7611) ... ☐ Les Misérables: Palace
(071-434 0909) ... ☐ Miss Saigon:
Theure Royal, Druy Lane (071-494
5400) ... ☐ The Mousetrap:
St Martin's (071-836 1443) ... █ The
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Stockard Channing as the rich New Yorker transfigured by a black con

Tues-Sat, Spm, mat Sun, Spn

PREMIERE ENSEMBLE: Mark Wigglesworth conducts an appealing programme of 20th-century British music, featuring Tippett's Concerto for Double String Orchestra and Concerto for Circhestra, Britten's Simple Symphory and the first British performance of a new version for string ensemble and mezzo-soprano of George Bergamin's Upon Silence Quient Elizabeth Half, South Bank, Josephin St. 1971-038-8500, 7,4-5 nm. Monlesworth conducts an appealing

CHRIS DE BURGH: The Argentinian-born singer-songwriter, whose "Lady in Red" is one of the most consistently played tracks on radio since its release played tracks on radio since its release so, wears ago, returns to the stuge after an absence of four years. The four promotes his first studio album in four years, Power of Ten. BICC, Boumemouth (0202 297297), tonight, 7-30pm. Exhibition Centre. Aberdeen (0224 824824), Fri, 6-30pm. SECC, Glasgow (041-248-3007), Set. App.

London SE 1 (071-928 8800), 7 45pm

ANNE GET YOUR GUN: Irving Be ANNE GET YOUR GUNE IT WIS Bestin's musical is revived for a short countrywide tour with Broadway star Kim Criswel as Annie singing opposite Australian actor John Dedonch. The phoduction runs in Berningham until October 3 and will then travel to Scinburgh's King's Theathe Hippodrome, Hurst Street, Bernengham (021-622 7486) Tonight-sat, 7-30pm, mats Wed, Fri, Sat. 2-30pm.

SI SOMEONE WHO'LL WATCH SI SOMEONE WHO'LL WATCH OVER ME: Excellent playing by Alec McCowen, Hugh Quarshie and Stephen Rea as Beirut hostages in Frank McGunness's new play, now transferred from Hampstead. Vaudeville, The Strand, WC2 (071-836 9987). Mon-Sat, Born, mass, Wed, 2, 20cm. Sat, April 10 Junes.

Philip Prowse's triumphant RSC production. John Carlisle as a callous aristocrat in Wilde's social melodrama laced with wit. Theatne Royal, Haymarker, SW1 (071-930 8800), Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats

Victoria Palace (071-434 1374)

☐ Carmen kores: Okt Vic (071-928 7616)

☐ Catts: New London (071-405 0072)

☐ Dancing at Lughnases Carmci (071-494 5085)

☐ Don't Dress for Dinner: Apollo (071-494 5070)

☐ An Evening

With San Under Durbes (071-494 5071)

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THEATRE

Winning and losing in great style

Gamblers

Tricycle, Kilburn

WHEN directors of 19th-century plays bring a carriage onto the stage their boldness is worthy of remark since even a hansom is a sizeable object, tending to fill up the acting area. Dalia Ibelhauptaite. Lithuanian-born director of this 90-minute play by Gogol, places five carriages on the stage, large four-wheeled jobs with folding hoods. Barouches, I think they are, wheels painted cherry red. black bodywork and buttoned upholstery.

Much of the time they do occupy the entire acting area because Ibelhauptaite makes them work as furniture. She has the actors prancing in the carriages like acrobats, hurling cards in all directions, even into the audience, capturing the thrill of successful gambling in these fantastic explosions.

Her designer is the supremely gifted Oleg Sheintsis, whose theatre work in Moscow not only plays odd tricks with perspective but alters the perspective during the action. His black carriages, losing their outline in the surrounding darkness, are marvellous to look at and provide the perfect springboard for three-dimensional movement.

The stage-time of Gogol's play, in this dever new version by Chris Hannan, is virtually identical with real time, linking events so tightly that there is never a still moment for the hero. Ikharev (Oleg Menshikov), to pause for reflection. He arrives at a provincial inn with 80,000 roubles he has won with a deck of mysteriously marked cards and he is keen for further victories. Over-keen, because waiting at the inn, lolling in their carriages, are a curious gang of fellows who lack his expertise with cards but are sharper with their wits.



Gamblers all: Phil Daniels (left, obscured). Mark Rylance. Fuschia Peters and Tony Bluto

Who stings whom it is improper to reveal, which puts the reviewer in a post. But the gang introduce Ikharev to an elderly person (Tim Barlow) who denounces the evil of gambling, to a dashing young fellow (Jeremy Gilley) who longs to play as recklessly as a hussar, and to a sombre official, artfully played by Anthony Milner like Presbyterian sheep.

Similarly grotesque are the three men in the carriages, smoking pipes as long as clarinets. They could have slithered out of an illustration to Dickens - Peter Silverleaf's bland Sauerkraut, Phil Daniels's Slipper.

croaking like an adult Artful Dodger. and the busiest of the bunch, Mark Rylance, as a spindle-shanked veteran by the name of Our Lady of Succour. Rylance's grainy voice hints at a world of wearying experience, concealing more than it reveals. All are roleplayers, animating Gogol's parable of treachery and its destruction of self-

Menshikov has learnt English since he played Yesenin last year in When She Danced. His accent and flamboyant style are in marked contrast to the grittler acting around him, sulting his role as "new boy" but over-dramatising

the moralistic coda. Until then his bold physicality is a vital element in a production glittering with bold effects. where the hero's lucky card glides into view as a silent, crinolined beauty (Fuschia Peters) for Rylance to quiz through his everlass for tell-tale marks Note the crescendo of champagne. arriving in glasses, in bottles, in crates, Corks pop: the music, from Schnittke's "Gogol Suite", makes cheeky play with The Merry Widow, and then the truth. like the day, dawns. For the victim it is a cold hangover, for us a frosty comedy.

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JEREMY KINGSTON

THEATRE

Pier pressure among the lowlifes

FIFTY years have gone by since Brighton Rock, but how little has changed if Danny Miller's rough thriller is to be believed. Psychotic Catholics still light candles in church before setting off to slit a victim's throat, take a stroll through the Lanes after grassing on a friend. Graham Greene's Pinky may not have talked of grassing, and certainly wouldn't have protested, as one of Miller's bad boys does here, "I think that's stronging it a bit". But if the slang has altered the villainy stays the same: bloody, puritan va "Hail Mary".

Jack is a jailed killer whose unexpected release is seriously bad news for the play's four male characters. The eldest, Chunky (Richard Tate), trades in antiques brought to him by glib young crooks who specialise in knocking on doors and badgering pensioners to part with their heirlooms. Jules (Kieron Forsyth), slippery and confident, partners Luke (James Clyde), slow though handsome, but both are amateurs Frank's concern is to make one of them

Jack's Out Bush

compared with the alarming Frank. Jack himself never appears, though the headlights of his approaching car rake the windows of Chunky's store at the end, but if he is nastier than John Challis's Frank we can be grateful the author keeps him out of sight.

Complacent, overbearing, rampanthomophobic yet a hater of women. rank reusnes ine for his enemies and tells God so during his regular colloquies with the Almighty, which he ends with a jaunty "Be in touch". He is clearly insane, and one of the play's weaknesses is the way the other men keep letting themselves be alone with him and allow him to stand between them and the door out. All four have unwisely done things Jack will not be pleased to learn, and

die. like Jesus, for his own transgression. Meaty stuff. The play, Miller's first,

is strong on the tactics of menace and bluff, thieves' talk and the sudden trap. but to reveal the past it relies too heavily on speeches of recollection. Jules and Luke remember their schooldays. Frank talks to God. More damaging than this. Jack's girl Bobbie barely exists as a creation, though she is crucial to the plot; and Georgiana Dacombe plays her in an entirely different style, so quietly conversational that she dissolves into the background even while speaking. Ken McClymont's direction tightly turns the screw when the men are skirmishing but cannot make her scenes work at all. Surprisingly, Brighton itself plays no part in the action: Jack's manor might just as well be Shepherd's Bush and his car thundering like Nemesis up Goldhawk Road.

JEREMY KINGSTON

CONCERTS

Seasons' greetings

Vivaldi Marathon Festival Hall

WE HAD to have The Four Seasons. A Vivaldi Marathon organised by Raymond Gubbay could not have reached its climax in any other way. And that presented by the Mozart Festival Orchestra under the artistic directorship of Ian Watson at the Festival Hall that has kept Vivaldi in the charts for so

It would be good to think that The Four Seasons was simply the bait, and that many who came will have discovered that Vivaldi also composed a large number of other very fine concertos some a good deal more interesting too. if one may dare say so. The Marathon - more of a relay, actually - began at

I lam, and ended 12 hours later, with three ensembles passing the baton between them. The afternoon sessions were devoted to the 12 violin concertos Op 4, entitled La stravaganza, with Andrew Watkinson directing from the solo desk, and the concertos Op 3 (L'estro armonico) for solo strings in different combinations.

In the evening concert, the diet was varied by the inclusion of the Magnificat RV610a and the Gloria in D. RV589, both sung by the dependable Thomas Tallis Choir. Timothy Wilson brought an appropriately doleful tone to the Stabat Mater, and the remainder of the concert consisted of a group of concertos with colourful contrasting solo combinations. The Concerto in G Major for Two Mandolins is particularly tuneful and deserves to be heard more frequently than it is. Perhaps it is in the nature of marathons that extended rehearsal is impracticable. but the players of the Mozart Festival Orchestra were competent and stylish enough for it not to matter unduly.

BARRY MILLINGTON

NEW RELEASES

Everyman (071-435 1525). HITLER: A FILM FROM GERMANY:

ICA Cinema (071-930 3647). ◆ KNIGHT MOVES (18): Someb goes on a murder spree during a chess tournament; is it champion player

LOVE IN THE TIME OF HYSTERIA: Altonso Cuaron's slick Mexican farce brings the Casanova story into the era of safe sex. Part of the third Latin-

THE POWER OF ONE (12) Orphaned white South African child developed social conscience. Jumbled epic coarsely handled by director John G Avidsen. Stephen Dorff, Morgan

STRAIGHT OUT OF BROOKLYN (15) Violence and despar in a Brooklyn housing block. Awkward first feature from an enterprising 19 year-old, writer-director Marty Rich. Renoir (071-837 8402)

COUSIN BOBBY (PG). Ionathan Demme's amiable but slender documentary about his cousin, an Episcopalian Minister in Harlem.

Hans Jürgen Syberberg's seven-hour epic from 1977 about Hiller's gnp on the German psyche. Hard work, but there is nothing like it in cinema.

Christopher Lambert? Tawdry thiller. Rashy direction by Carl Schenkel. n West End (0426-915 574)

Freeman, Armon Mueller-Stahl Empire (071-197 9999) MGM Fulham Road (071-370 2636) MGM Tro

WHITE SANDS (15): The FBI, black mark eteers and a small-town cop chase each other's talk in New Medico. An impenetrable plot, but lively. Willem Catoe, Mickey Rourke, director, Roger

CINEMA GUIDE

3pm, Sat, 4pm 120mins

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol •) on release across the country

MGM Fulham Road (071-370 2636) MGM Haymarket (071-839 1527) MGM Shaftesbury Avenue (071-836 6279) MGM Trocadero (071-434

CURRENT

 ALIEN ^a (18): Sigourney Weaver fights another alien infestation in deep space. Punishingly drab and downbeat. Charles S. Dutton, Charles Dance; Grector, David Fincher. Camden Parkway (071-267 7034) MGM Chelses (071-352 5096) Odeoris Kensington (0426 91 4666) Leicaster Square (0426 91 5683) UCI Whiteleys (071-792-3303)

◆ BATMAN RETURNS (12): Quirky The best when the curves (12) Curve best behavior and the spotlight falls on Michelle Pfeiffer's electrifying Carwoman, Michael Keaton, Danny Devito, director, Tim Burton, Christian (071-497 9999) MGM Oxford Street (071-636 0310) MGM Panton Street (071-930 0631)

• THE CLITTING EDGE (PG): ke hockey player turns figure-shater and thaws a prima donina of the blades. Very sally D.B. Sweeney, Morra Kelly, director, Paul M. Glaser. MGM Chelsea (071-351 3742/3743) MGM Haymarket (071-839 1527) MGM Oxford Street (071-636 0310). ◆ FREDDIE AS F.R.O.7. (U) french trog prince becomes secret agent and saves Britain's national monuments, Clumsy, vapid homegrown cartoon. Director, Ion Acersh.

MGM Tottenham Court Road (071-636 6148) MGM Trocadero (071-434 0031) Odeon Kensington (0426 914656).

JUKCE (15): Friendship and violence among gherto youths. Superior sample of the new black onema, directed by Spike Lee's carneraman Ernest R. Dickerson. Omar Epps, Tupac Shakur. Blectnic (071-792 2020) MiSM Pariton. Street (071-930 0631) MiSM. Proceders (171-424 0731) Trocadero (071-434 0031)

◆ LETHAL WEAPON 3 (15); Rousing comedy and mayhem with LA. cops raggs and Murtaugh. Mel Gibson, Danny Glover, Joe Pesc; director, Richard Donner.

MGM Chelsea (071-352 5096) MGM Fulham Road (071-370 2636) MGM Hammark (071-370 2636) MGM

runnam Robat (171-57) 2530 MeM Haymarket (171-539 1527) MGM Oxford Street (171-535 0310) MGM Shafbusbury Avenue (171-535 6279/379 7025) MGM Trocadero (171-434 0031) Odeon Matble Arch (0426 914501) Screen on Baker Street (071-935 2772) UCJ Whiteleys (071-792 33321.

LOVERS (18) in Franco's Spain.
Victoria Abril derails her lodger's
intended marnage. Excellent tale of
mad love, expertly insurated by director
Vicente Aranda.
MIGM Piccadility (1071-437 3561)
Screen on the Hill (071-435 3366). PETER PAN (U): Disney's 1952
Cartoon version of J.M. Barne, often bland, but Capitam Hook makes a splendid villam MGM Chelsea (071-352 5096)
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UCI Whiteleys (071-792 3332).

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• WATERLAND (15): leremy irons as the history teacher haunted by his Fenland childhood. Brave but failed attempt to film Graham Swift's complex novel. Director, Stephen Gyllenhaal Curzon West End (071-493 4805). Chelsea (071-351 3742) Odeon Kensington (0426 914666)



EDINBURGH's festival season of Granville Barker plays ended not with a bang but with a whisper. This rehearsed reading of The Marrying of Ann Leete by members of the National Theatre (at the Royal Lyceum, no director credited) seemed calculated for the intimacy of a studio. From the front of the circle, three of

the four women players were scarcely audible. Apparently they had forgotten that even seated in a row reading scripts they still have to project. In the circumstances it was hard to

judge the play's worth (I missed the RSC production with Mia Farrow in 1975), but Barker's first success, written when he was 23, breaks off

tantalisingly just as it catches dramatic The aristocratic Ann's refusal to be a marital pawn in her father's flagging

career has led her to propose to the



gardener (Rupert Graves in trainers, designer stubble and Mummerset accent). Despite the shock horror of her family - this is the 18th century - the couple move into his cottage to start life together. Curtain.

Unlike Mora in Ibsen's A Doll's House, Ann's act of rebellion is circumscribed by the sexual conventions she accepts. She may refuse a politically arranged match, but marriage will still be a matter of subservience to a man. Her nonconformism is social, not sexual. The principals in the 15-strong cast

(which includes doubling; was Barker really such a practical man of the theatre?) move between two rows of seats to signify entrances and exits. The reading grows livelier as it progresses, with Helen McCrory's Ann as fresh as a Romney and as vivid as a Hogarth. Rachel Joyce, the least audible of the cast, gives signs of being a sardonic high society divorcee to the life; and the aristocracy is well represented by James Laurenson and Ben Thomas, who yet again proves he can dominate the stage in a small role.

No theatrical urgency flickers through the play, a quizzical statement of an argument rather than a dramatic illustration of it. Judgment suspended.

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The riches of embarrassment

ietzche put his finger on something in 1870. "In our day." he wrote, "only the farce and the ballet may be said to thrive." If you substitute the word musical for hallet, the same may be said of the West End today. Don't Dress For Dinner, by Marc Camoletti, author of Boeing-Boeing, is in its second year at the Apollo, while British farceur Ray Cooney's new play, It Runs in the Family, follows his record-breaking Run For Your Wife: it is previewing at the

Of all theatrical terms, farce is used most loosely and cynically. Andy de la Tour, the author of three political farces and translator of Dario Fo, describes how Fo's plays are always billed as farces even though, with the exception of Can't Pay? Won't Pay! the description is false. They may have a madcap quality but not the genuine farcical motor and momentum. "The term is used to reassure people: it may be about a political subject, but don't worry, it's funny."

To many audiences, laughter is itself a farcical litmus test. "Someone once said the sole purpose of farce is to get laughs," says Cooney. and that is a perfectly respectable ambition. People need to laugh, even in adversity, hence the traditional Jewish joke. Moreover, the first casualty of mental illness is a sense of humour. Writer John Mortimer goes further, seeing farce as the fundamental dramatic genre.
"Most of life is farce. Whoever said history repeats itself first as tragedy. then as farce, was right."

The first generally accepted English farce is little more than a hundred years old: The Private Secretary, adapted from the German by Charles Hawtrey in the 1880s and starring Beerbohm Tree. This was followed by the "Court" farces of Arthur Pinero; the most celebrated of which, The Magistrate, contains the archetypal farcical plot the hero, a pillar of society, escapes in compromising circumstances from the police and appears in his own court, with a filthy collar and black eye.

As Sir Brian Rix, still popularly regarded as the prime stage expowith Ray Cooney

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Michael Arditti

looks at what goes into a good farce

nent of farce, puts it: "All farces have the same thread running through them, though they may be presented differently: people with reputations to lose caught in situations where they can lose them."

Farce is the most conservative dramatic form. "I'm writing the same thing that I was writing 30 years ago," admits Cooney. "The trimmings are more sophisticated, but the heart is still as naive." De la Tour agrees: "Farce has more set rules than anything else; it's like a piece of music or a sonnet." Yet de la Tour believes it does not

necessarily need to be conservative in content. "You can make it about anything you want. Whatever the cover-up, whether it's a mistress in a cupboard or corruption in high

places, it's still a farce."
The action is propelled by panic, as characters invent wild lies to save face. Then they have to deal not only with the original problem but also the lies, and hence behave even more bizarrely. The art of a master farceur is supreme, as Marcel Achard said of Feydeau: "It is not simple to combine the skill of a dockmaker, an inventor, a chessplayer, a mathematician and a comic writer."

Despite the common ground of laughter, the world of farce is very different to that of comedy. "Comedy is to do with people saying funny lines," says Mortimer. "In farce, after the first ten minutes there's no time to make jokes; the laughs come from character and situation. The biggest laughs in farce are on lines like 'What?'."

In fact, farce is far closer to tragedy. As Ned Sherrin says: "It's the same complications: people put in impossible situations, but with different results." The discovery of

of A Flea in her Ear and Othello. Jumping into a grave is tragic in Hamlet, while tampering with a coffin is farcical in Loot. As Mortimer neatly defines it: "Farce is tragedy played at a thousand revolutions a minute."

This emphasis on speed is also of the essence, both in the construction of farce - Feydeau declared that "when in one of my pieces two characters must not meet, I bring them together as soon as I can" and in the playing. Which is why so many writers, whether Ben Travers at the Aldwych, Rix at the Whitehall or even Peter Rogers and Gerald Thomas in the Carry On films, have relied on a stock troupe of actors. Instant identification saves time.

ooney insists that farce needs the most generous actors. "There's no time to stand centre-stage making flowery speeches or intellectualising problems." Subtlety hampers speed. The result is to bypass normal audience identification. As Mortimer says, "The audience's response has nothing to do with fellow feeling, because the actors themselves have no feelings." It is, rather, recognition that we might be in the situation ourselves, coupled with relief that we are not. Orton may have inverted it and

Fo subverted it, but traditional farce still aims for the happy ending and endorses the status quo. Changes in social convention have been reflected in the humour, but the conventional virtues continue to be extolled. The central couple in Don't Dress for Dinner are rampant adulterers, but come the final curtain they trot merrily up to bed together.

However, they are French, and so by definition immoral. We may have appropriated French maids and French windows as farcical devices, but we have never embraced the French attitude to sex. In English farce, adultery is unacceptable; in French it is simply expensive. There may be more beds in Ayckbourn's Bedroom Farce



It Runs in the Family: Wanda Ventham (top left), Sandra Dickinson, William Harry, Ray Cooney

than in any Feydeau, and yet they are put to quite innocent use.

Despite such innocent pleasure, farce is frequently derided. In the 17th century Dryden declared that "the persons and actions of a farce are all unnatural and their manners false". His words would find many supporters today. Michael Frayn, author of Noises Off, sees such dismissal as self-protection:

"In laughing at it you have lost your moral dignity, and don't like to admit it afterwards — you don't like to concede the power of the people who have reduced you to such

It remains the supremely theatrical genre. To sit racked with laughter in an audience of six or seven hundred is very different from tittering to the canned laugh-

ter of a sit-com on television. Rix admits that bedroom farce is dead, but in other forms it radiates good health. So long as the lies are big enough, the plot convoluted enough and the person important

● It Runs in the Family is in preview at the Playhouse Theatre, Northumberland Ave, London WC2 (071-839 4401), opening next Monday

enough, there will always be farce.

ARTS BRIEF

Per Jodrell ad astra

THAT old showbiz hyperbole -- "a star-studded spectacular" - can be used in a literal sense about the highlight of Britain's biggest new music event, the Huddersfield Contemporary Music Festival. It is the first British performance of Gerard Grisey's Le Noir de l'Etoile ("The Dark Side of the Star), which requires the sound of pulsars tracked in outer space to be integrated into a live performance by six percussionists (Les Percussions de Strasbourg).

The pulsar sounds will be picked up by the Lovell telescope and fed by Jodrell Bank, via British Telecom "high-definition" circuits. across the Pennines to Huddersfield. The audience will also see a computerised light show of a suitably galactic nature. The Huddersfield Festival runs from Nov-ember 19 to 29; the pulsars make their debut in Huddersfield Sports Hall on November 22.

Gritty stones

HAVING laid bare the ways and wiles of the London building site in his last film. Riff-Raff. Ken Loach creator of Cathy Come Home is turning his attention to a Manchester housing estate for his next foray into gritty cinematic realism. Under the working title Raining Stones, it is an account of a young couple living on the dole and attempting to raise money to buy their daughter a communion dress. Loach begins five weeks' filming on the estate later this month, "working closely with local residents", and using a script by Hidden *Agenda* writer Jim Allen. That should be authentic enough: Allen

Last chance . . .

THIS week sees the end of summer as defined by the closing for the weekend of the Open Air Theatre in Regent's Park (071-486 2431). In fine weather the alfresco experience can be magical, and when the weather is dull at least the audience can feel heroic. Ian Talbot's production of A Midsummer Night's Dream (final performance Satur-day) is traditional and has been generally praised. And a revival of the Gershwin musical Lady Be Good (final performance tomorrow), with Bernard Cribbins, has proved a comic delight.

TELEVISION REVIEW

Newcomer a boon

institutions appear to be intent on pressing the self-destruct button, a television drama series such as Boon, made by Central for ITV, can glide serenely into its. seventh series. Michael Elhick's title character, Ken Boon, is up there with Lovejoy. Arthur Dalcy and Del Boy in the pantheon of popular television: although other characters may come and go, the presence of the lovable rascal is what keeps the millions watching, in confident expectation of a happy ending.

Last night's opener, burdened with the Hitchcockian in-joke title MacGuffin's Trunsputer, introduced a new "Girl Friday" character in the form of Saskia Wickham. The idea of a Girl Friday, who proves (gasp) brighter and more imaginative than her male employers but who (chuckle) sometimes gets herself into corners from which only a man can rescue her, is precisely in keeping with the time-warp world of Boon. Wickham, whose fresh, honest features and naturalistic style look like being a great asset to the series, will surely redefine "Alex" as she grows into the

Peter Palliser's script was workmanlike at best, but there was sharp editing (Nigel Miller) and some quite exuherant camerawork, including exterior/interior tracking shots that extended the Hitchcock references. Director Nick Laughland thereby distracted attention away from some of

TX I hile some national the more gaping holes in the plot, across which Wickham Elphick and the other regulars Neil Morrissey and David Daker nimbly stepped, in pursuit of the guest villains Peter McEnery (understandably on edge as MacGuffin) and Daniel Craig (superbly slimy as Wickham's duplicitous lover).

Old friends should not be judged as harshly as new, so let us forgive the absurdity of a 25-year-old "confidential secretary" (Wickham), in a provincial town, earning enough to live in a vast warehouse apartment, complete with well-stocked jukebox, mountain bike, personal computer and designer outfits ad lib. She does have a rich father, but angrily refuses to accept his money.

Understandably, with the emphasis on the new girl, the established stars were sidelined. The byplay between the maverick Elphick and stolid Daker (who sounds bizarrely like Jack Woolley in The Archers) was briefly re-established, particularly by way of the following cryptic ex-change Elphick: "There's so many people unemployed." Daker: "I don't wanna talk

politics, Ken.' Boon and Rocky (Morrissey) also sparred in character, gently, but with Morrissey having replaced Harry Enfield in the new series of Men Behaving Badly, broadcast immediately before Boon last night, viewers could be forgiven for some

TONY PATRICK



The Orpheus Chamber Orchestra: "We like to think we have minimised negativity and optimised potential"

All for one and one for all in New York's headless band

Hilary Finch meets a most democratic

There was once a New Yorker cartoon which depicted a group of pedestrians stopping to listen to a one-man-band street busker being conducted by a gentleman in tails. The conductor bows extravagantly to take the applause while the unacknowledged musician slumps with exhaustion on his

Back in 1972 a New York cellist called Julian Fifer vowed to put a stop to all this conductor power, at least within one particular orchestra. So he founded the conductor-less and co-operative Orpheus Chamber Orchestra, and however exhausting the democratic process, all 26 of them are still standing for their own ever-increasing applause.

Their visit to London this week celebrates 20 years of survival and evolution as a species. Legend has it that there was a time, in the heady days of the post-Sixties counter-culture, when members of this "headless wonder" sometimes couldn't see each other for their afro hairdos. With democratic stasis, a lack of majority voting and simple human nature getting in the way of ideological absolutes. the happy band have made some modifications to the functioning of their musical Utopia.

An executive committee of five musicians (three strings and two wind - a kind of conscientious proportional representation) is elected every two years. They, in turn, elect and appoint a concert-master. or concert-person as it is preferred: still a different one

group, the Orpheus Chamber Orchestra, visiting London from America this week for each piece that they play. concentration closer to a per-All the violinists are asked to formance or recording session. inform the committee of the So people save their most

pieces they are interested in leading in the year ahead. The committee is also informed of any background reasons why certain members may not have had a turn, or had one turn too many. Then the members of each section decide who is to be the principal for each piece. The chosen core of section leaders then meet to rehearse the piece, discuss bowing, articulation, use of rehearsal time; in short, all that the diligent conductor would be expected to do before a first rehearsal.

Too good to be true? "Well. some cores are better than others, of course," admits Fifer. "We have the whole range of traits that could be attributed to a conductor. But since 26 of us are involved we like to think we have minimised negativity and optimised potential." That also sounds a little too

slickly Madison Avenue, What of the games people play? "We've gone through the stage of the problem of extroverts and introverts and everyone gening his or her fair say. Our hom player Bill Purvis, for example, realised that, as an extrovert, he could use up his credit pretty quickly. He has to pace himself with his ideas just

not having a conductor, and "And not everyone realises it's something we have to. that there's an increase in struggle with. Rhythmically

Stravinsky are no problem for us. What is really difficult is the late-19th and early 20thcentury post-romantic reper-toire, which requires freedom and rubato in so many lines simultaneously. When everyone is so wonderfully expressive, the whole thing can be important points till the last torn apart." possible moment, with the "We've spent most of our result that there's just too much talking in the final

hen Fifer goes on to

talk about sessions for discussing body

language and individual

needs, it seems as if Woody

Allen has the subject for his

next film perilously close by. It

happens to be not far from the

truth. The day I spoke to Fifer

he was due to be interviewed

by an author of a book on

pheus as the working model.

ness, imaginative ensemble,

virtuosity, distinguished and

distinctive Haydn and

Schoenberg: it is difficult to

find an adverse line in a review

of either live or recorded

performance. Their limited

repenoire has been ques-

"It's our only difficulty in

tioned, though.

time developing this reper-toire. We've worked forever on the Brahms A major Serenade and the Siegfried IdylL"
The Orpheus has hitherto deliberately ignored baroque and contemporary repertoire simply because there are so many specialist groups in New York. Now, they have changed their thinking. They have started to commission new writings, and this autumn

release a courageous disc of

complex works by Bartók and

music by four American combaseball teams who wanted his advice on team dynamics. posers: Jacob Druckman. Frederick Lerdahl, William Balcom and Michael A manufacturer of air pressure pumps is pleading for advice on employee empowerment. Gandolf. And a West Coast corporation They have also dared to start is about to make a video on the on Handel with a recently released Fireworks and Water same subject, with the Or-The purely musical achievements of the orchestra seem virtually undisputed. Alert-

Music. Some members play in period instrument ensembles; others know nothing of it. The Concerti Grossi is their homework for this year. "It will take a long time, though, to develop an interpretative style which will reflect us just as our approach to Haydn and Schoenberg does." The results are eagerly awaited.

● The Orpheus Chamber Orchestra plays at the Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (071-928 8800) tomorrow and Saturday (with Alfred Brendel) and on Sunday (Cynthia Haymon).

Coming on Strong

RADIO REVIEW

fund the arts? In the first part of a new series, Ministering to the Arts (Radio 4, Sunday), Sir Roy Strong led on a troupe of worthies -Lords Goodman, Rees-Mogg and Palumbo, with sundry commoners - who gave us a history of the Arts Council since it was created at the end of the war.

We heard how the early arts

ministers, like Jennie Lee, just handed money out for trustworthy-sounding bodies without wanting to know too much about where it was going, because they were so fearful of being accused of bias. This went on until the Seventies, by which time there were so many claimants that the arts ministers, who were not in the Cabinet, could never lay hands on a fraction of the money the ans world wanted. Then, with Mrs Thatcher, came the onslaught. The Arts Council rushed to protect itself by concentrating on the regions in the name of urban regeneration and other respectable social aims. Even so, it was only because Norman St-John Stevas was Leader of the House as well as arts minister that he managed to keep the funds flowing under Thatcher. Now we have a "Minister of Fun" with a seat in the Cabinet - and nobody knows what will happen.

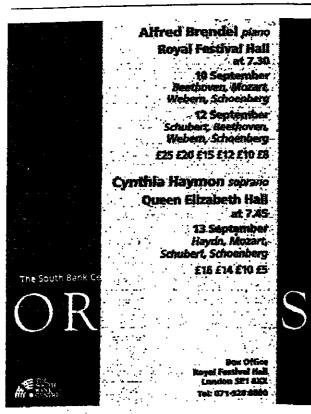
It was Sir Roy who turned all this into a thrilling drama. He was peppery with rage and excitement about every twist and turn in the struggle. He seemed to relish the ironies of

hould the government the situation, rather than hold any consistent point of view since at the beginning he was mocking the absurdity of the early Labour governments having no arts policy at all, and complaining about the arts ministers not being of Cabinet rank, whereas at the end he was practically announcing Apocalypse, now we have David Mellor there with so much power. "Mellor holds the key to the entire future of

the arts in Britain!" he cried. Actually, I don't believe the government seriously influences the history of art and culture at all. But it was a joy to hear Sir Roy conducting proceedings in his fine soprano: after the way in which television news-readers such as Michael Buerk conclude every sentence with a gloomy plonk. what a delight to have someone whose voice rises and trills like a lark as he ends each utterance.

However, another noted talker met his match on Radio 4 on Saturday. In the first of the new run of Ad Lib, Robert Robinson got in few jokes as he talked to five long-distance truck drivers. What they most enjoyed about foreign driving was "the crack" — the conversation and humour when they met in far-flung cafes and lorry parks - and they were so busy laughing together about bribing Turkish policemen and fending off gigantic pro-stitutes that we hardly heard Robinson's cheerful voice at

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Günter Grass's

latest novel is

another protest

against German

unification

says Gina Thomas

literally, the call of the red-bellied toad and, metaphorically. Cassandra's warnings, because the curious

bell-like croaking of these creatures is traditionally held to bode ill. An "Unkenruler" is a prophet of doom:

and with his gloomy vision of the

world there is probably no more

vociferous alarmist in Germany to-

For all the criticism which his more

recent works have provoked - and

Unkenrufe is no exception — Grass

has the distinction of being regarded.

since Heinrich Boll's death seven years ago, as the Federal Republic's

But the public also knows him as a

political activist. From beneath that

walrus moustache, which seems to

grow denser with age, he is for ever

sounding off on issues of the day, and his political preoccupations figure

prominently in his writing. In the past his moral indignation was

roused by Nicaragua, the Catholic

after barely five months in Calcutta

he came back. He admitted that he

was distillusioned by the philosophy of

non-violence, "which is now as burnt

GDR, he has been one of the most

outspoken critics of unification. With

his solemn interventions often pro-

nounced amid clouds of pipe smoke.

Grass, who is approaching his sixty-

fifth birthday, appears as the self-

appointed moral conscience of the

nation. In a recent interview he

explained his constant "butting in",

as he puts it, by stating that he was a

citizen who paid taxes and that like

any other citizen he wanted to know

inderella-sized pump

vegetation, whose untarned

tendrils search out the ankles

of passers-by. A steep hillside "planted" with a battalion of

galvanised metal buckets be-

comes a solar energy-operated watercourse. Scented pine nee-

dles form a crackling carpet

under a sinuous, slatted bam-

boo tunnel. Lush young grass

forms a rejuvenating, contour-

kins nestle snugly in the depths of rampant

Since the collapse of the former

out as our own European ideas".

greatest living writer.

day than Gunter Grass himself.

bloated toad glares out

from the cover of Günter

Grass's latest novel.

. Unkenrufe. The title means,

understand the restrictions royalty would impose upon her, then found her husband cold and distant. Tragedy entered the picture when their son Rudolph committed suicide at Mayerling. Her life ended in a kind of black farce when the anarchist Luigi Lucheni, who was hoping to assassinate the Duke of Orleans, stabbed her with a file on the shores of Lake Geneva.

Most stage treatments of Sissy have been saccharine or romanticised; it is to the credit of writer Michael Kunze, composer Sylvester Levay and director Harry Kupter that this new Elisabeth at the Theater An Der Wien has some acerbic bite.

Much of the bitterness, and the Spenglerian sense of apoc-alyptic gloom, comes from Kupfer's stark but spectacular staging (with designs by Hans Schavernoch), with its predominantly sombre colours and its disorientating collisions of baroque splendour with images of modern alienation.

A monstrous, high-tech gibbet, looking like part of a suspension bridge, towers over one half of the stage; backprojections show familiar Viennese images (the Prater Big Wheel, Schönbrunn) but also blow-ups of grotesques prefiguring Grosz or Dix. The aristocratic world in which Elisabeth moved is peopled with tottering marionettes who waltz like faulty toys. -The danger with this kind of

galloping expressionism is the absence of any humanity with which the audience can connect. Fortunately, the Dutchborn singer-actress Pia Douwes is an expressive Elisabeth, giving the character a high-strung verve and energy which I suspect she did not

f the British obsession with royalty seems pathological, what is to be made edged: just as well, since her big balked, "Ich gehör nur mir", teerers on the brink of sentimentality.

No other character makes a comparable impact. Viktor Gernot tries hard to endow Franz Josef with depth, but the Emperor is never much more than a stuffed shirt. The most striking full to Elisabeth is Uwe Kroger's Death, a camp. long-haired amalgam of David Bowie and Tadzio in Death in Venice. Kunze suggests that Death is Elisabeth's real lover, but more sexual sparks fly when Death claims the doomed Rudolph.

At this point Elisabeth, who has shown no maternal interest in Rudolph before. launches into a tearful lament, Wo bist du Rudolph?", which I fear caused me to chuckle in



High-strung verve: Pia Douwes as Elisabeth

cynical disbelief. Other scenes which strained credulity included a chorus of angry milkmaids and a Nazi rally The latter seemed irrelevant. and brought the evening's only embarrassment. But maybe, in a city not much given to analysing its past, that

HARRY EYRES

cave in. Grass has openly criticised allegation that the German feuilleton is becoming inquisitorial.

Günter Grass: "there is probably no more vociferous alarmist in Germany today" — and his walrus moustache is growing denser church's stance on abortion, the destruction of the environment, the nuclear threat, disarmament, Ostwhat happened to these taxes. But in politik, the Third World, Germany's the same interview he also staked a special claim as a writer, moaning that writers among others should have been consulted by the politicians in charge of the unification process. struggle to come to terms with Nazism, and a host of other topics. In the wake of the critical failure of his apocalyptic novel, The Rat, in "Precisely because of our work." 1986. Grass announced that he was dropping everything to go and live in Grass argued, "we know better than India for a year, trumpeting his general disapproval of the state of affairs in the Federal Republic, But politicians that life is not divided into

legislative periods." Instead of immediate unification, which he, like many other critics, sees as an occupation by the mighty Deutschmark, Grass would have preferred a slow process of rapprochement, leading to a German league of states with a new constitution approved by the people. He believes that Auschwitz denies the Germans a right to a nation state for ever after, lest it lead to another Auschwitz — as if such horrors could only be perpetrated by a nation state. One need only look at Yugoslavia today for an answer to that.

Grass proposes a German cultural fellowship as a substitute for the unified state. This is of course not what the demonstrators on the streets

of Leipzig had in mind when they chanted "We are one people," eventu-ally forcing the communist regime to the Social Democratic party, of which he is a member, for not doing enough for the survival of the GDR.

The toad croaks its warnings

rass's literary fame rests largely on the The Tin Drum, which came out in 1959 and has sold more than two million copies. Although the two works he published in the Eighties. Headbirths and The Rat. were panned by German critics, a new book by Grass is always an event. Long before Unkenruje appeared on the market in May, the rights had been sold to 18 countries. Nonetheless, the new book was shrouded in mystery. Such is the author's paranoia after the bad reviews he has received that at first he wanted advance copies of Unkenrufe to be distributed only among a few selected reviewers who he felt sure would by sympathetic. This caused a furore and the publisher was forced to reaction was largely negative, which Grass is bound to take as proof of his

The portentous toad in Unkenrufe is the latest addition to Grass's allegorical bestiary, which includes cats and mice, rats and snails, as well as a speaking flounder. The toad recurs as a leitmotiv throughout the novel. Unkenrufe is a love story between a German widower and a Polish widow which begins in Danzig (now Gdansk). Grass's town of birth which is now part of Poland, on All Souls' Day in November 1989. "just before the wall became

Much of the plot is a somewhat heavy-handed saturical metaphor for the German "takeover" of the GDR. The elderly lovers found a "German-Polish Cemetery Association" to enable Germans who were driven out after the war to be buried on home ground. Their modest plan becomes a booming business reminiscent of the cemetery in Evelyn Waugh's The

relent. As had been feared, the Loved One. The Cemetery Association is taken over by enterprising yuppies who build old people's homes for Germans wanting to be buried in their former territories; they also build bungalows and golf courses and a maternity unit for the younger relatives who come to visit

the dead-in-waiting.

The widow and the widower are horrified and break off their links with the business. "This is no longer our idea," cries the widower in his resignation speech. "Now what was lost through war is being raked in again through economic power. Of course it's all happening peacefully. This time there are no armoured tanks, no Stukas in action. No dictator - only the free market economy rules." And the Polish widow adds in broken German: Germans are always hungry, even when they are already full. And that makes me afraid." Once again we hear Grass, the arch- Cassandra, • Unkenrufe is published by Steidl at

was no bad thing.

GARDEN FESTIVAL: CHAUMONT-SUR-LOIRE

Brilliant array of back-yards

work of a derelict car. Weeds At dusk, the beauty of nature is and chaos thrive happily alongside botanical rarities and regimented rows. Water trickles through an underground grotto, or hangs as a

misty cloud over a duck pond.

fibre optics. Chaumont-sur-Loire's Festival des Jardins is no ordinary garden festival. It was born of the desire of France's Minister of Culture and Education Jack Lang to revitalise national interest in gardens and landscape. It is HIGHER EDUCATION the first of its kind to be held in France, and it deliberately eschews the horticultural **HELPLINE** haute couture usually associat-

everyday pockets. Intended to become an annual event, the 3-hectare festival site is in the rolling parkland surrounding the handsome 15th-century cha-For up to the minute teau of Chaumont-sur-Loire. Seven months ago, the undulating site, which offers a superb view of the turreted information on higher château, was grazed by sheep. education course vacancies Today it is transformed - by the Belgian landscape designat universities, including er Jacques Wirtz - into a mosaic of 25 self-contained present and former

the average French back garden. Edged in shoulder-high hedges of clipped beech, the garden plots are shaped like the leaves of a tulip tree and connected by a network of sandy paths. From the air, this permanent layout looks like a series of leafy branches. enhanced with a garland of

Landscape designers, gardeners and schools from around the world were all invited to create an ephemeral. autumn garden within one of the leaf-shaped plots, at a cost of not more than Ffr 100,000. Tempestuous rain permit-

ting, the gardens will be at the peak of their beauty - or their fascination — during the coming weeks. Organised by the Jardin de la France, a distant offshoot of

the Ministry of Culture, this first Festival des Jardins (also the first phase of a much bigger landscape and gardens programme, which includes the setting-up of a school like those at Kew or Versailles), has yet to acquire the professional patina of similar events in Britain: but it comes up with a partnier full of ideas to try out

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• The festival runs until November 1. Full details are available from: Maison du Loir et Cher, Service Loisirs Accueil, 5 rue de la Voute du Chateau. 41000 Blois: Telephone (010 33) 54 78 55 50.

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

from the Frits Lugt Collection in Paris, Drawings From the Age of Bruegel is a collection of ioth-century Netherlandish drawings of very high quality and offers a full survey of the artistic movements of the period. Works by the most important figures such as Pieter Bruegel the Elder, Jan van Scorel, Maetern van Heemskerck, Hendrick Goltzius and Jacques de Gheyn II are covered and the show includes superb portraits of Christian II of Denmark and the Emperor Maximilian I by Jan Gossaert and Lucas van Leyden respectively.

ed with such events, in favour

of a pret-a-porter collection of

contemporary back gardens, designed to trillate the imagi-nation and tailored to fit

plots, each roughly the size of

● AMSTERDAM: Borrowed

Rijksmuseum. Stadhouderskade 42. Tel: (31 20) 6732121. Tues-Sat, 10am-5pm, Sun, 1-5pm. Until Nov

● BESANCON: The capital of Franche Comté is host to a major festival of orchestral and chamber music. This year brings visits from the St Petersburg Philharmonic under Mariss Jansons, Pascal Tallis Scholars and the Vogler Quartet.

Festival de Musique, 2d rue Isenbart, 2500 Besançon, Tel: (010 33) 81807326. Until Sept 18.

• LYON: This year's biennial takes its cue from the Olympics and Expo embracing a passion of Spain theme. aiming to present the full range of Spanish dance. Those interested in historical dance will find much here for them: the spectacular produc-tions of 17th-century baroque dancing and traditional Spanish dancing. Also featured are the traditional dances of Andalusia, Catalonia and Galicia, and the great works and characters of Spanish literature which have influenced choreographers throughout the world. The biennial promises ten premieres introducing new talents.

Information: Maison Lyon, place Bellecour 690002, Lyon. Tel: (010 33) 72402626. Sept 12-Oct 4.

Bags of colour, pints of plain

Richard Gilbert makes his way round Dublin on a well-organised literary pub crawl

ublin's heartland of activity. Grafton Street, is packed at dusk with a crush of open-air entertainers, from jugglers to jug bands. A youth leans against a banner which boldly states: "I will recite poetry on request." The list of poets available is impressive -Yeats, Patrick Kavanagh and Heaney are among the listed repertoire. Taking up the challenge. I request "Dig-ging" by Seamus Heaney. Without a pause, he stands upright and declaims:

Between my finger and my

The squat pen rests: smug as

After a word-perfect delivery of the complete poem he bows his head and I drop money in his hat and make for the Bailey, a nearby pub with strong literary connections. The writers and pubs of Dublin are inseparable and the Bailey is the appropriate start-ing-point of the Dublin Literary Pub Crawi.

From June to mid-Septem-ber, five nights a week, two inventive actors take visitors to Dublin around four or five pubs and perform readings from Irish writers who have specific links with these bars. For £5 it must be the most ingenious crash-course in Irish literature, history, pub bonhomie and architecture vet devised. The brain-cells are simultaneously flooded with a few "balls of malt", as the creamy Guinness is dubbed. and stimulated by performances of writings from Joyce. Behan, O'Casey, Wilde and

Flann O' Brien. The work of Dublin writers has been inextricably linked with the city's finest pubs for many decades. The skill of actors Derek Reid and Gerard Lee from the Writers' Island company lies in combining this unique street theatre with the "crack" that makes Dublin pubs the liveliest in Europe, and successfully avoiding the tourist clichés that could ruin a fine evening of high art and

At the Bailey, a sturdy audience of 60 sits in the room where Parnell once regularly dined. Gerard Lee breaks the ice with a boisterous version of the ballad, "Dicey Riley", fol-lowed by a brief account of Parnell's links with the pub and a reading of a relevant passage from Joyce's Portrait



Five pounds for the poetry: Derek Reid and Gerard Lee in the Long Hall pub, Dublin now the "crack" has softened

the hardest of heads to ask

of the Artist. The audience, which ranges from Austrians and Swedes to New Zealanders and a few Dubliners, refill their glasses, before the actors, using hats as their only props, tackle a scene from Waiting for Godot. They show the group the Bailey's most unusual literary memento - the front door of No 7 Eccles Street from Ulysses, rescued from a skip by John Ryan, poet and former landlord, and memorably unveiled by Patrick Kavanagh with the words: 'I hereby declare this door

I he evening is not for the faint-hearted (an alternative afternoon walking tour is offered to those who prefer a slower pace and less revelry). The trawl through Irish literature moves on to Sean O' Casey: outside Mulligan's (founded in 1782 and reputedly last decorated in 1882) there is a spirited dialogue between Joxer and Boyle

from Juno and the Pavcock. of debt --"What is the stars? What is the moon?" cries Joxer, but by

"Where is the bar? Where is the stout?". Inside Mulligan's a woman upgrades my order from a glass to a pint, remarking that "A bird can't fly on one wing." As the pints line up, an Austrian language teacher debates how to translate "the Irish pub" into German with the correct gender, actor Derek Reid confesses that his nightmare is an audience for the literary crawl that speaks no English and drinks only mineral water, while a friendly Dubliner explains that the local word for a

vimp" is a "woos" We weave towards the Palace in Fleet Street, where Gerard Lee pays tribute to Flann O' Brien's local with Shanahan's "pome" from the author's At Swim-Two-Birds: When money's tight and is

And your horse was also When all you have is a heap

A pint of plain is your only

literary pub crawl? Then surely you must go round the corner to Behan's local — McDaid's.

I'll tell you the simple truth about Brendan — he was a drinker with a writing problem."

in German

The Dublin Literary Pub Crawl continues until 17 September. (Sunday to Thursday). For details.

er complete

A STATE OF THE STA

La lea damine

The crawl formally ends

with more "pints of plain" at

the rococo extravanganza of the Long Hali bar in South

Great Georges Street after an

extract from James Plunkett's

The Risen People. But many of

the audience succumb to the

unique brass and glass decor

of the pub and stay "out on the

rip" after the final perfor-

mance. Clinking glasses of stout together, a Swedish neu-

rologist and an Italian student

toast the idea of the literary

pub crawl as a rewarding way

of studying Irish writers, while

the Austrian translator wres-

tles with finding the most appropriate word for "crack"

Outside the Long Hall, a

local asks about the event. "A

polytechnics and further and

higher education colleges, call

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No dead, white, **European males**



Claire Buck, left, says her vast new anthology is a crusade to extend our awareness of the diversity of women's writing. Jonathon Green peruses its pages

amid the file cards, the databases, and the allied impedimenta of the reference book world, a certain trend has been noted: more and more women are joining the party. It started in 1982, with Susan Lloyd's substantial revamp of Roger's Thesaurus, continued three years later when Margaret Drabble compiled the fifth edition of Sir Paul Har-vey's venerable Oxford Companion to English Literature, and has gathered pace ever since. Blooms-bury Publishing is particularly enthusiastic. Its own literary "guide", published in 1989, was edited by Marion Wynne-Davies. A forthcoming volume on erotica is in the hands of TV director-cum-sex educator, Jane Mills, and this month sees the Bloomsbury Guide to Women's Literature, the product of its editor Claire Buck and about 100 assorted experts, a scant halfdozen of whom are men.

Ms Mills' volume, doubtless pulsating with bygone "engines" and "grottos", not to mention today's less euphemistic nomenclature, is sure to engender more obvious frissons, but Dr Buck's is likely to set some reasonably rebarbative cats among the literary pigeons. What will irk such critics of course is the matter of quality, and certainly not quantity. This is a mighty tome, much - if not all encompassing, a veritable door-stop; at 1,200 pages it will set library shelves groaning and it would be a very severely attenuated table leg indeed that would require its balancing services. Dr Buck and her team have assembled a daunting collection of authors and titles. moving through space and time from classical antiquity to the marginalia of today's feminine literatures, from the literary heartlands of Hampstead, Manhattan and the Left Bank to the relatively unsung outposts of the French

Antilles and Aboriginal Australia.

Admirable stuff; encyclopaedic isn't in it, and few parallel volumes would attempt so all-embracing a collection. This is an omnium gatherum of staggering proportions, with 40 introductory essays and 5,000 entries all sedulously cross-referenced and replete with bibliographical and biographical information. As all concerned are keen to underline: no one has ever done this before. Women's Literature, while vaguely understood as a term, has never been subject to so massive a project. But quality? That may prove quite another story. The trick with reference works is to spot the omissions: there are probably precious few of those, but when it comes to what has been included, now there's the critical rub.

The problem of course, is that word "literature", gravid with value judgments, encrusted with centu-



Charlotte Bronte: double billing

ries of critical assumption, an essential accomplice to what the jargon of its own Eng. Lit. departments would term, the "grand narrative" and what the feminist lexicon would deride as the dictates of the "patriarchy". In other words, "literature", as generally accepted, is man-made and almost invariably created, assessed and consumed by

the same small, cultural elite. What Dr Buck has done has been to toss a weighty gauntlet in the face of all that. A solidly ferninist work, her guide presents a calculated challenge to every assumption and proposes in turn a whole new range of questions. Dr Buck has no illusions: she is perfectly aware that the idea of a specifically "women's literature" is likely to raise predictable hackles, but sets the necessity for the project over such carping. "It is a strategic move. It comes out of the fact that 'literature' has traditionally meant men's literature. And what that pushed out of sight is both how many women writers there are and the fact that the writer's gender has made a difference to how the writing has been valued. It's always been more difficult for women to make their names in high culture."

he suggests that quality is a man-made concept quite specifically created to exao iney are onen re to "women's writing" - its limits delineated by what contemporary (male) culture sees as an acceptable female role — or to such genres as romance, whether the genteel, the bodice-ripping or, euphemistically, the "sex and shopping" bonk buster. This guide accommodates Barbara Cartland, Danielle Steel and Jackie Collins as well as a vast swathe of unknowns who, in all fairness, do occasionally make the uninformed wonder whether there are but two grounds for inclusion: a) one is female and, b) one has

The dread phrase "politically correct" is nowhere on show, but its ethos permeates the book. Not so much through any linguistic cen-sorship, but in what traditional critics will see as the wilful rejection of their own beloved beliefs. In many ways the whole book can be seen as the reification of its essay on "critical approaches" which starts with the question "how should feminists read?" Those whose ideas of high culture concentrate on the products of that bugbear of the ideologically pare, the "dead, white European male", and dismiss "mass culture" as a contradiction in terms, sniff at such soul-searching: what you read is the good stuff, and the good stuff is what we tell you. That is: almost invariably male and white and European and, usually

six safe feet under. Nor are such traditionalists automatically male. Glancing through Miss Drabble's work one sees scant deviation from the establishment norm. It is a preponderantly male line-up with only the usual female suspects: Aphra Behn, Jane Austen, the Brontes, George Eliot: Stevie Smith and Margaret Atwood for modern palates. Dr Buck and her team have assembled a very different dramatis personae. The superstars are there of course, but so too are legions of erstwhile mute, inglorious Ms Miltons.

hich illuminates a further problem. Is this "guide" a reference book, a companion or what? If the answer is "Huda Sha'rawi" or "the Mixquiahuala Letters" then what, one might wonder, is the question? The point of a reference book is to provide easy access and maximally useful information. What you do not need, on pulling it from the shelf, is a search through a preliminary essay before moving on to check your fact. So hold the reference category. But Dr Buck does not see it that way either. "It's really a mix of reference book, guide and companion. I aimed to create a book that different groups of people could use in different ways. It is designed as a literary companion for the general reader and , because together this range of work, it also has a value for teachers and other academics," she says.

"Obviously a good deal of the material is unknown territory, as opposed to something like the Oxford Companion, but that's why the introductory essays are so essential. If it were just an A-Z of authors then you would never find your way around it. But the idea is



then they could go through the cross-references to find them."

Miss Drabble's companion has its addenda too, essays pointing up such arcana as copyright law, the history of censorship and a perpetual calendar. Once more Dr Buck offers a very different perspective. Each expert has been allowed their say and indeed, in a book which requires at least a first degree for

reference or guide, is another concept, not generally allied to the nonfiction shelves: what we have here is reference work as feminist crusade. "We have to read these women ... we must change our attitudes ..."
One cannot describe a woman so soft spoken as strident, but that's

But over and above that, beyond Even though that may be difficult to assimilate, because we in the West are very bad at thinking beyond our own boundaries."

Read, mark, learn and outwardly proclaim is the message here. The literary times are changing and we had better keep up. Traditionalists may howl, but in today's world, culthe way such imperatives point. "A tural relativism rules. "It is not crusade: certainly it is," Dr Buck done well," snorted Samuel John-

creativity, "but you are surprised to ion open to those who have scanned Bloomsbury's massy guide. Miss Sha'rawi, by the way, was an Egyptian feminist of the 1920s, the Mixquiahuala Letters is a novel by the Mexican Ana Castillo. One hears the sound of a lexicographer spinning in his grave. • The Bloomsbury Guide to Women's Literature will be published on Septem-

The power of one South African

An academic is issuing a challenge to the post-apartheid system

amphela Ramphele is the dynamic emnew South Africa. She is the Black Consciousness leader. an academic, doctor and social anthropologist, and at 45 she is deputy vice-chancellor of the University of Cape Town, laden with honours and one of the great and good.

She is in London to deliver the Canon Collins Memorial Lecture on "The Challenge of Change in South Africa" tomorrow evening: in the morning she launches Restoring the Land, the book on environ-ment and change in postapartheid South Africa for which she was consultant editor.

Dr Ramphele was named South African Woman of the Year in 1983 for her extraordinary transformation of a sad and dreary black resettlement area in Northern Transvaal homeland of Lebowa to which she had been banished after the Soweto uprising of 1976. She was exiled there from her post as founder medical officer of a black community health centre 1,000 miles away in King William's Town in the Fastern Cape, where she was involved, politically and emotionally, with Steve Biko.

child when the banning order children and send them to be was served, prohibiting her from being in the company of more than one person at a time, or from any social or phele is gregarious and enthusiastic, with a rasping voice and wild cackle of a laugh; she has been described as independent and bloody-minded. and the words formidable. forceful and brisk all apply. But the shock and loneliness of

close to miscarriage, and she was in hospital when she heard of Biko's death in police custody. "I was frantic to keep the baby," she said, "to keep alive

something of our relationship, and of course the more agitated I became the more the threat of a miscarriage increased." Although she nearly died, and spent the last five months of her pregnancy in bed, "thinking about my misery, going through all kinds of destructive, non-productive emotions", their son was safely delivered. She named him Hlumelo, which means "shoot of a dead tree" in Xhosa: he was "the spitting image of Steve" and "from that moment I decided to turn my anger into action".

The hamlet of Lenyenye lies in an impoverished rural area close to the great, grey, green, greasy Limpopo, hot, steamy and stultifying. The nearest town. Tzaneen, is noted for its oranges and lemons: it was only 12 miles away but, given the restrictions on Dr Ramphele, she might as well have been on the moon. She was the only doctor for miles but had difficulty in gaining the villagers' trust: they were ionally, with Steve Biko. warned not to go near her for she was pregnant with their fear she would seize their

trained as terrorists. She won the mothers' confidence and, despite their apathy and defeatism, started a political intercourse. Dr Ram- medical clinic in a couple of rooms. She raised funds to build a proper community health centre called Ithuseng. or Help Yourselves, which became the nucleus of other self-help projects. By the time Dr Ramphele's banning order was lifted in 1983, the comher banishment brought her manity - which had in-



Not afraid of her own success: Dr Mamphele Ramphele

creased from 20,000 to 50,000 - had two branches of the clinic in neighbouring villages, a library had been built and stocked, a scholarship fund initiated, and a cooperative brickyard employed 16 people and produced 20,000 bricks a month.

Although Dr Ramphele was free to leave Lenyenve in 1983, she stayed on for another year to ensure that Ithuseng ran itself. On Saturday afternoons she watched tennis and cricket on television, and - a bizarre byproduct of her incarceration she, who had never played either sport, became an expert on both. She also became a Bachelor of Commerce.

The following year found Dr Ramphele at the University of Cape Town, where she began her collaboration with Francis Wilson, professor of economics and director of the Southern Africa Labour and Development Research Unit. (She had, by then, married and divorced a pharmacist, by whom she had another son.)

A shower of research awards and international conferences led to a stream of papers. publications and books on health, development, poverty. women, hostel dwellers, children, social welfare, education, anthropology, Anglicanism. sexism and violence. In 1989, she and Professor Wilson produced what may be

the most important book on South Africa this generation. Uprooting Poverty — the South African Challenge is a diagnosis of the condition of the country and prescription for its future. "Poverty is an evil that must be rooted out," they say. "Power lies at the heart of the problem of poverty in southern Africa. Without it, those who are poor remain vulnerable to an ongoing process of impoverishment."

Restoring the Land. published by the Panos Institute, shows how apartheid has played a major part in the devastation of South Africa's natural resources. Dr Ramphele notes "the rhetoric of the liberation movements suggests that they are bent on 'seeking first the political kingdom', with the hope that all other kingdoms would follow", whereas "the first principle guiding future action must be that the struggle against poverty and social justice are inextricably linked".

Dr Ramphele is not afraid of success. "Excellence is not a white value. It has been delegitimised over the years through Bantu education. To protect themselves from failure, a lot of black people have accepted mediocrity."

In the new South Africa, where a woman folk hero of the Black Consciousness movement is also deputy vicechancellor of a university and a director of the Anglo-American Corporation, is it too farfetched to imagine Dr Ramphele, mother of Steve Biko's child, as the first black woman president?

SUSAN LOPPERT

◆ The Canon Collins Memorial Lecture will be given at 7pm tomorrow, at the Assembly Hall. Church House Conference Centre. Dean's Yard. Westminster,

London SW1. © Times Newspapers Ltd 1992 Is co-operation the clue to women's success at bridge?

Bidding to be best in the world

ard games reaching the Western world from China in the 14th century were welcomed by women as a way of competing on equal terms with men. Bridge, the ultimate card game, long popular with women as a social pastime. has become a competitive sport, in which women contestants now match men in numbers and are approaching

them in skill. Britain's players of both sexes have a creditable international record, but the women have won more medals. In Italy last week the women reached their second successive Olympiad final, losing narrowly to Austria. The British open team — this time all men, failed to survive the qualifying rounds, arguably in a stronger field.

The women's team comprised Nicola Smith with Pat Davies, Liz McGowan with Sandra Penfold, and Sandra Landy with the youngest member, Michele Handley, who figured in the television series. Bridge With Zia.

The reason why players excel in bridge can be hard to pin down. Whatever the women's talents, they do not add up to freakishness, despite the fact that to reach the Olympiad final you must be motivated to put in eight hours' of concentrated thought every day for nearly two weeks.

All except Davies are married, five are career women, and four of these are mothers. They are unusual only in that all keen bridge players can seem slightly crazy to those who have never savoured the game. The six are all intellectually above average: Me-Gowan gained a first-class

honours degree in Russian at Edinburgh and Landy capped an Oxford MA in maths with a postgraduate computing diploma at Cambridge. Four were introduced to the

game at an early age. Smith's parents were both championship players - her father Nico Gardener was world class and Landy's were good county

The question whether spouses should play together has engaged the minds of psychiatrists

The modern tournament player's fierce dedication does not seem strange to McGowan Her grandparents, strict Presbyterians, put the cards away on Saturday night but would stay up for a few rubbers beginning at the stroke of midnight on Sunday.

In newspapers, bridge and chess often appear side by side, suggesting they are similar. However, bridge rewards co-operation as well as opposition, psychology as well as logic, and could therefore go with women's supposed preference for co-operation rather

than confrontation. Domestic bridge is at least partly a social game, but in world championships conditions are different. Screens are placed diagonally across the table to prevent partners from seeing each other, and the bidding is conducted silently with printed cards.

Should spouses play togeth er? The question has engaged the minds of psychiatrists as well as bridge players, and some are strongly in favour. Two egos that have learned to withstand the rigours of matrimony ought to survive the bridge table. The most fam-ous partnership of all time was that of Ely and Josephine Culbertson, who personified bridge to the whole world in the 1930s.

Some partners even use bridge to purge domestic grievances. Once, after such an episode, the male half of the partnership left the table briefly. "Is he your husband?" an opponent asked sympa-thetically. "Of course he is," was the reply. "Do you think I would live in sin with such a bad-tempered man?"

The British team is exceptionally well adjusted. Two complementary partners are the sometimes excitable Penfold and the placid McGowan. They had to fit in long-distance commuting between Penfold's Yorksbire base, where she is a market researcher, and McGowan's Edinburgh home, to discuss their bidding system.

Shall we ever see an entirely female open team at the bridge Olympics? I think so. This year, for the first time, Mexico had more women than men on its open team. However, women may be less likely to develop the obsessive attachment that characterises

top male players. ALBERT DORMER

The happier homeowners

here is one British city where house prices neither soar nor crash, but edge up steadily or remain stable, where repossessions are almost unknown, prices are 20 per cent lower than in London, and gazumping does not happen.

All this may surprise those adjusting to last week's news from the Halifax that house prices throughout Britain fell by another 0.7 per cent in August. As prices slump still further, Edinburgh, to the ever-increasing number of victims of the boom-bust cycle of South-eastern property prices, sounds like a housing market utopia.

The easiest lesson to assimilate is from Scotland's legal system. Gaz-umping is not possible. The Scottish system means each side is committed to a figure once a deal is agreed. Strictly regulated solicitors, not estate agents, dominate sales in Edinburgh, although agents control most of the Glasgow market thanks to their concerted marketing efforts in the 1970s.
The Lord Chancellor, Lord

Mackay of Clashfern, a Scot, has said England and Wales could solve such problems by adopting Scottish methods. Perhaps, too, Southerners could learn from stereotypes, however generalised. According to figures from the Central Statistical Office, the Scots save and the English consume. In the first half of 1992, South-easterners saved about 7 per cent of their incomes, Scots about 16 per cent. Such squirrelling means few Scots will embark on home ownership Steady prices and few repossessions: Rachel Kelly finds a model market

until they have saved for a bigger deposit than most Southerners.

Lenders are also more cautious. George Clark, the chairman of the Edinburgh Solicitors Property Centre, which claims to handle 80 per cent of the city's deals, says it is unheard of for a lender to advance a 100 per cent mortgage in the city. If only the Southern market were

that simple. Such lessons are easy to learn but nigh useless as remedies for the South-east's ills. The profound economic differences between the cities de-

termine the nature of their housing markets. Mere tinkering with legal systems or mortwill not gages change that. Put simply, prices are lower în Edin-

burgh because the supply is greater and the demand less than in London.

"People have to devote more of their income to housing in the South-east because of the supply constraints, which in turn are decided by our planning laws." says Gary Marsh, the chief economist for the Halifax. "This means that houses are more expensive in the first place in London." The Halifax's regional house price index for the first half of this year shows that the average Scottish

house costs £58,477 but in London £81,993.

Prices are also forced up by greater demand. The numbers of households in the South-east rose because of migration in search of jobs. South-eastern households tend to have more money to spend because of higher incomes, which also pushes up prices.

People in the South-east often have income from several sources," Mr Marsh says. "Until recently. employment prospects were much better in the South.

with husband-andwife teams contrib-There is more uting to joint incomes." For the public-sector first time since housing than in proper records began in the 1920s, the South-east unemployment in Scotland, at 9.4 per

cent, is below the British average. Scotland is now busier than London, where 10.4 per cent of people are out of work, according to the latest employment department figures.

Higher prices mean that Londoners have to borrow more. In turn, that has made Londoners more vulnerable to changes in interest rates. Because Edinburghers were not forced to overgear, they have been less exposed to the "negative equity" plaguing the South-east, and especially London.

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where prices and therefore mort-gages are the UK's highest. The Nationwide says that the value of a typical house acquired by a firsttime buyer has fallen by 27 per cent in Greater London since the 1989 peak, leaving thousands with debt greater than the value of their houses.

Edinburghers and the Scots in general are also cushioned from the need to scale the property ladder by the greater availability of publicsector housing. Home ownership has hovered around 50 per cent in Scotland, compared with the 67 per cent of those in the South-east who own their homes.

What could be done, short of joking about Londoners moving en masse to Edinburgh for a dose of Scottish medicine? Constraints on land in the South-east could be relaxed. Building societies could tighten still further controls on lending, squeezing out those who should never had the financial resources to embrace home ownership in the first place.

Tim Melville-Ross, the chief ex-ecutive of Nationwide, called last weekend for the abolition of mortgage tax relief, which would defuse some of the attraction of home ownership. And the rented sector could be invigorated to provide an alternative to owning bricks and mortar. Only if home ownership ceases to be so heavily subsidised will Britons stop scraping their savings together and locking them into their homes. It may be all right in Edinburgh, but Londoners have suffered the consequences.



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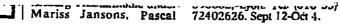
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Regina v Secretary of State for Defence, Ex parte Sancto Before Mr Justice Rose Judgment July 24)

The parents of a soldier who died in an accident in the Falkland Islands were not entitled to judicial review of a decision by the Sec-retary of State for Defence to refuse to disclose the report of the board of enquiry into his death.

The decision refusing disclosure was so outrageous that no sensible person could have reached it, but the secretary of state was under no legal duty to disclose or to exercise a discretion in relation to the disclosure of such a report.

Mr Justice Rose so held in the Queen's Bench Division dismissing an application by Paul and Ingeborg Sancto for judicial review of the secretary of state's decision of May 23, 1990 to refuse to allow them to see the report of the enquiry into the death of their son, Sapper Kirk Sancto.

Mr Geoffrey Nice, QC and Miss Helen Hobhouse for the ap-plicants: Mr Stephen Richards for the secretary of state.

MR JUSTICE ROSE said Kirk

between two boats engaged in non-operational duties. The mat-ter had been investigated by an contents were not disclosed. An inquest in Oxford had reached a verdict of accidental death.

The Army had sent the dead soldier's parents an account of what was said to have occurred. That indicated that Sapper Sancto and the other soldier in his boat were the worse for drink when the accident occurred. That contra-dicted evidence at the inquest. including a pathologist's report that no alcohol had been found in the dead man's body.
The Under-Secretary of State for

Defence had written to the ap-plicants' MP saying that there were no grounds to suggest their son was the worse for drink and that his boat was being handled responsibly when the accident took

acknowledged that the Army's account sent to the parents was totally misleading, or explained whether or not the Army still relied on the allegations contained in its

There were special circum-stances which argued for disclo-

sure of the report. Neither the deceased nor his parents were present or represented at the Army enquiry; his reputation was at risk; the withdrawal of blame left vital questions unanswered: the ap-plicants had no other means of seeing the report, the accident having occurred prior to the repeal of section 10 of the Crown Proceedings Act 1947: and no question of national security arose.

His Lordship was satisfied that the decision not to disclose outrageous in the sense used by Lord Diplock in Council of Civil Service Unions v Minister for the Civil Service (1985) AC 374.

But that could avail the applicants only if the decision refusing disclosure was susceptible of judicial review. There was no doubt that the proceedings of the board of enquiry itself were reviewable but the question was thether the parents of a serviceman were entitled to challenge an the board's report.

In the absence of a freedom of information Act there was no public right to know. There was no litigation between the parties which would allow an order for

discovery, and although the cate-gory of bodies susceptible to ju-dicial review had been expanded, it was still a remedy operating only either to protect legal rights or enforce legal duties.

There was no legal duty on the secretary of state, statutory or otherwise, to disclose or to exercise a discretion in relation to the disclosure of a board of enquiry report. The parents had no right to know how their son died in so far as that could be ascertained from

Although that last sentence might cause an astonished gasp from many members of the public and perhaps some ministers, it tely reflected the state of the

With no enthusiasm at all, his Lordship was driven to the condusome respects lamentable circumstances of the case he could not provide the applicants with the relief which most members of the public would feel was their due. The situation was for Parliament

to remedy, not the judge. Solicitors: Goldkorn Davies Mathias for Redfern & Stigant, Chat-

His Lordship emphasised the need for enquiring whether the relevant services being rendered constituted a business activity.

Since the hearing before the magistrates, the case of DPP v

Sikondar (The Times May 19) had

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been decided.

Regina v Rochdale Metropolitan Borough Council, Ex parte Schemet

Before Mr Justice Roch [Judgment July 24]

The policy of a local education authority not to pay the travelling expenses of a child whose parents arranged for the child to attend a school not maintained by the

authority was unlawful, even if the

school was the nearest suitable one.

The parents of children at schools outside the borough for whom a local education authority had provided free travel passes had a legitimate expectation that such ses would continue to be provided until some rational grounds had been communicated to them for withdrawing the passes and they had been given an opportu-

Mr Justice Roch so held in a reserved judgment in the Queen's Bench Division granting declarations on the application for judicial review of Paul Gregory Schemet against the decisions of Rochdale Metropolitan Borough Council (i) on August I, 1990, to cease to provide financial assistance for provide tinancial assistance for pupils living within but travelling to and attending schools outside the borough: and (ii) on September 26, 1990, that immediate notice should be given to parents of first. second and third-year pupils attending schools outside the borough that assistance with travel-ling expenses would be withdrawn

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as from September 1, 1991. Lord Irvine of Lairg. QC and Mr Andrew E. C. Thompson for the applicant; Mr Michael Beloff, QC and Mr Richard McManus for the

MR JUSTICE ROCH said that there was no Church of England school within the council's district offering secondary education. The evidence showed that the applicant and his wife were active members of the Church of England and his Lordship was satisfied that they held a sincere and genuine belief that their children, now aged 14 and 12, should receive secondary education in a Church of England school. The nearest was Crompton House High School in the bormuch of Oldham about four and a

half miles from their home. When the elder child first attended that school in September 1989 the council paid for her travelling expenses, ceasing to do so in July 1991; the younger child. who started in September 1991 had never been paid travelling

His Lordship found that the council's policy in relation to payment of travel expenses by August 1987 included the pay-ment of those expenses if a child was attending an extra-district school in order to receive education of a denominational character not

available within the council's dis-trict provided the distance from the home was more than three miles where the child was over the age of

School travel costs policy unlawful

ough Council, Ex parte Governors of John Ball Primary School ([1989] 88 LGR 589, 595, 603).

Support was lent by the wording of section 55(4) of the 1944 Act. as

inserted by the Education Reform Act 1988, which made Par-

liament's intention clear that an

education authority was not to

discriminate in favour of schools it

maintained itself as against schools that were grant maintained or maintained by other education authorities.

The statement in the council's

policy not to pay travelling ex-penses for attendance at a school not maintained by the council was therefore unlawful, but that did not

necessarily mean the withdrawal of travel allowances and the refusal

to grant the same in respect of the

applicant's two children were

authority's duty under section 39(2)(c) of the 1944 Act of making

arrangements for the child to be registered at a school nearer to his

home and he concluded that

arrangements would not be suit-

His Lordship had to consider the

able arrangements for the child's transport or arrangements for boarding accommodation or

A new policy came into existence in August 1990 as a result of constraints on the council's spending on education, and it included the statement that the council would not pay travelling expenses if a parent arranged for a child to attend a school not maintained by the council and even if the school was the nearest suitable school.

In his Lordship's view, such a policy was on the face of it a breach of the council's duty under the Education Act 1944 unless the council could show that there was no duty where the school was in the district of another education authority: see Surrey County Council v Ministry of Education ([1953] 1 WLR 516), Rootkin v Kent County Council ([1981] 1 WLR 1186, 1194, 1196) and R v Devon County Council, Ex parte G ([1989] AC 573, 604).

There was no provision in the statute or the above cases which justified the exclusion of that duty in such a case. Indeed, in his Lordship's view, section 6 of the district of another education au-

Lordship's view, section is of the Education Act 1980, relating to parental preferences, and section 55(4) of the 1944 Act led to the conclusion that education authorities should not have policies which discriminated against children who might have to attend extradistrict schools or whose parents might wish them to do so.

for the particular pupil.

Furthermore, in his Lordship's Parliament clearly intended that performing its duty under view, the education authority was

obliged to take account of the parents' preferences: see section 76 of the 1944 Act, now strengthened should not escape from compliance with that duty simply because by section 6 of the 1980 Act. the parent had expressed a pref erence for an extra-district school: see R v Shadow Education Com-mittee of Greenwich London Bor-

The parents' wishes were an important consideration but they ere not the sole consideration and the education authority might conclude that they could make suitable arrangements for the child to be registered at a school closer to his home despite a conflict with the parents' stated preference, provided the authority took account of that preference in reaching its

In the present case, if the unlawful statement was removed from the council's statement of policy relating to education, that policy was capable of being applied in accordance with the council's statutory powers and duties.

On the question of consultation. the applicant accepted that there was no statutory obligation on the council to consult, but his Lordship concluded that there was a legiti mate expectation of consultation in respect of a child at an extra-district school already receiving travel

There could well be cases where withdrawal of the travel pass meant that the child had to change schools, and it was right and sensible that the education authority should pay regard to the effect a change of school would have on the particular child before taking the decision to withdraw.

Solicitors: Mr M. C. Darlington.

Courtesy coaches as public service vehicles

Rout v Swallow Hotels Ltd Before Lord Justice Leggan and

[Judgment July 7] Courtesy coaches provided by a hotel for use by its customers were public service vehicles carrying passengers for hire or reward within section I of the Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held in allowing an appeal by way of case stated by Mr David Rout, a traffic examiner of the metropolitan area, against the dismissal by Walton Street Justices of informations, alleging, inter alia, that two vehicles owned by Swallows Hotels Ltd were driven by employees of the company without public service vehicles

Regina v Holman

on previous convictions.

It was seldom that evidence given

by a defendant as to the res gestae

of the offence for which he was on

trial could ever be said to be given

with a view to the establishment of

good character, giving rise to

The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Mann, Mr Justice Ognall

and Mr Justice Buckley) so stated

on July 23 in allowing an appeal

by Brian Robert Holman against

vehicles operator's licences. The two vehicles were operated

at the sole discretion of the manager of the Swallows International Hotel. London, for various purposes including collection of cus-tomers from or return of them to points of arrival or departure, and the conveyance of customers to and from places of entertainment.

If either vehicle was operating for the benefit of customers, any person at the hotel, whether resident or visitor, and whether paying for a facility such as a meal or not together with any friend was free to travel on the vehicle subject to seating capacity.

However, no one was given a right to travel and no payment was made by anyone being given a

Good character not in issue

his conviction in February 1992 at

Southend Crown Court (Judge

MR JUSTICE MANN said that

on arrest the appellant had in his

had been stolen. His explanation

was that he had found them in the

garden of a house while on a

lawful mission to recover a car and

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The manager decided whether the vehicle would run and if so to which destination. Mr David Pannick, OC, for the

for the company. LORD JUSTICE LEGGATT said that the issue was whether the coaches provided by the hotel for

its customers were used for carry-ing passengers for hire or reward within section 1(1) of the 1981 Act. The traffic examiner relied on Albert v Motor Insurers' Bureau (1972) AC 301), which defined a

vehicle in which passengers were carried for hire or reward where there had been "a systematic carrying of passengers for reward which [went] beyond the bounds of mere social kindness" namely the

his character on the basis that his

character in issue. The appellant

had served a number of custodial

The court had no hesitation in

concluding that there were no

circumstances when the discretion

under section I(f)(ii) of the Crim-

inal Evidence Act 1898 could have

been exercised where the evidence

of the appellant was in respect of

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hotel business. The hire or reward was included in the payment of the room or a meal by the guest. The coaches were therefore public service vehicles for carrying passengers for hire or reward.

Mr Justice Pill agreed. Solicitors: Treasury Solicitor, J. A. Backhouse & Sons. Blackburn.

Purdew and Another v Nicholas Bard for the defendant. Seress-Smith

Before Mr Justice Macpherson of

[Judgment July 27]

Information provided to a social security adjudication officer by a person applying for benefit was not covered by absolute privilege and therefore allegations made by an employee against her former employer could be the subject of an action for libel.

Further, the public interest did not require that the former employer should be precluded from founding a claim for libel in such circumstances.

Mr Justice Macpherson of Cluny so held in the Queen's Bench Division following the hearing of a preliminary issue in an action for libel between the plain-tiffs, Dorothy Purdew and Stephen Purdew, and the defendant, Catherine Seress-Smith, who was their former employee.

Mr David Eady, QC and Mr Harvey Starte for the plaintiffs; Mr Charles Falconer, QC and Mr

Information not privileged

JUSTICE MAC-PHERSON said that the plaintiffs claimed to have been defamed by the defendant in a document sent to an adjudication officer in

connection with her claim for social security benefit. The defendant had sought social security on the basis that she had been driven from her job. The plaintiffs had indicated to the adjudication officer that the defendant had left voluntarily.

The defendant, in reply to the adjudication officer's request for information, had sent a letter which was said to contain the words that were libellous.

The defendant had argued that absolute privilege governed docu-ments submitted by an employer or employee in such circumstances. In his Lordship's judgment, the position of the adjudication officer was administrative rather than judicial. The protection of absolute ivilege ought to be limited to iudicial and semi-judicial

ments of that kind to be brought under the umbreila of absolute

To do so would run the risk that employers and employees would go to town in allegations against each other.

It seemed healthy that the law of libel should, in the limited way it did, protect people about whom things might be said. His Lordship saw no reason why there should be any fresh extension of the defence of absolute privilege.

As to the public policy argument, his Lordship thought that that was entirely a matter for Parliament, If it found that employers and employees were not stating the matter properly because of the risk of costly libel actions then it could make anything said in such documents immune

In his Lordship's judgment, the inhibition imposed on employers and employees in respect of what they could say about each other was something to be encouraged rather than discouraged.

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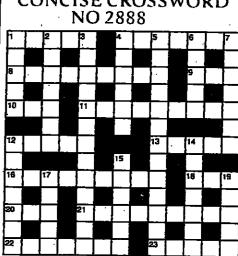
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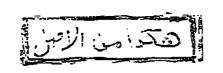
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3.35 For the Love of Birds. An RSPB film about how the organisation

became the biggest wildlife conservation charity in Europe (3922002)
4.05 Cartoon featuring Bugs Bunny (r) (6706538) 4.10 Potsworth & Co. Animation (r) (6772557) 4.35 Tricky Business. The last part of the children's comedy series starring Bernie Clifton (r) (8911828)
5.00 Newsround (3945248) 5.10 Grange Hill. Drama serial set in a secondary school (r). (Ceefax) (s) (3694880)
5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (454460). Northern freland: inside

6.00 Six O'Clock News with Anna Ford and Chris Lowe. (Ceefax) Weather (793)

6.30 Regional News Magazines (373). Northern Ireland: Neighbours 7.00 Eldorado. (Ceefax) (s) (7712) 7.30 Film: Clue (1985) starring Tim Curry, Black comedy loosely based on the board game "Cluedo". Six blackmail victims arrive at a mysterious, isolated marsion. They soon discover it is the perfect setting for a murder. Written and directed by Yes, Minister coauthor Jonathan Lynn. (Ceefax) (40083)

9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Michael Buerk. (Ceefax) Regional news



Bereaved: Foo Moi grieves for her dead husband (9.30pm)

9.30 inside Story: In Cold Blood.

● CHOICE: Returning for a new series, the BBC1 documentary strand revives the controversy surrounding the shooting of 24 villagers by British soldiers during the Malayan emergency in 1948. The official line was that the victims were communist terrorists (this newspaper's report called them bandits) and the action was acclaimed as a significant victory in the war. Malayan survivors, however, claimed that the dead were unarmed rubber tappers shot in cold blood. The case resurfaced in 1970 when the British government ordered a police inquiry. This was mysteriously closed when the Conservatives won the general election. The truth may never be known but this film draws on eye-witness accounts and previously unpublished statements of soldiers involved to suggest

that the 24 were indeed innocent civilians. (Ceefax) (961460) 10.20 Sportsnight introduced by Desmond Lynam. Football highlights from the friendly match between Spain and England in Santander and the world cup games between Wales and the Faroe Islands, Northern Ireland v Albania and Scotland against Switzerland (981847) 12.20am Weather (1770584) BBC2

6.45 Open University: Herod and Judaea (6152880). Ends at 7.10
8.00 Breakfast News (9449422)
8.15 The History Man. Bryan McNerney at medieval Bungay castle in Suffolk (2941286) 8.20 The Italians. A portrait of Venetian ballet teacher Ferrucio Berolo (r) (7917606) 8.50 Father Quimtin's Normandy. The story of a France-based Comish priest following the traditional teachings of an excomunicated bishop (r) (2928335)
9.20 TUC 92. Live coverage of the Trades Union Congress proceedings in Blackpool, which includes a debate on pensions, introduced by Vivian White and Donald MacCormick (77883996)
12.55 A Week to Remember (b/w). Pathé newsclips from 40 years ago this week (r) (28774557) 1.05 Master Craftsmen. The skill of guitar-maker Jimmy Moon (r) (69487170) 1.20 Forget-Me-Not Farm. Animation (r) (69475335) 1.35 Country File. Rural issues investigated by John Craven (r) (45035809)

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2.00 News (Ceefax) and weather (34407441) followed by TUC 92. Live coverage of the debate on the economy. Includes News (Ceefax) and weather at 3.00 and 3.50 (78529286)

5.00 Great Journeys. Writer William Shawcross follows the old Sahara salt road, travelling southeast from Fez in Morocco through the Tenere desert (r) (4625)

6.00 Star Trek: Where No Man Has Gone Before. A repeat episode from the cult 1960s science fiction drama series starring William Shatner and Leonard Nirnoy. (Ceefax) (805489)

6.50 DEF II begins with Wayne's World. The comedy slot from

America's late night satire series Saturday Night Live, starring Mike Myers and Dana Carvey. (Ceefax) (s) (513625) 7.00 Teenage Diaries: Raging Bullock. A portrait of 15-year-old amateur boxer Ben May from Peckham, south London (356511) 7.40 The Shetland Sessions. More from the 1991 Shetland Folk Festival, this week featuring Barely Works (s) (417002) 8.10 The Un-Americans: No Place to Hide.

CHOICE: The series on the anti-communist witchhunt in the United States continues to draw its strength from interviews with ordinary citizens whose misdemeanours, real or imagined, were punished by years of persecution. Frank Wilkinson, a Los Angeles housing executive whose only "crime" was a refusal to answer questions about his politics, came under surveillance for 38 years. The FBI eventually admitted he was not a security risk. John Service served as a diplomat in China during the communist takeover. It was enough to make him guilty by association. A common accusation of these victims is that the real villain was not so much the high-profile Senator Joseph McCarthy as J. Edgar Hoover, the director of the FBI, who thought communism was a malignant disease which had to be eradicated (995557)

9.00 ScreenPlay: Continental Drift.

CHOICE: Three short plays by new writers and directors take a sideways, sometimes obscure look at Britain's relationship with Europe. The funniest and most accessible is Springing Lenin, in which a dotty Scottish spinster (Geraldine McEwan) buys a discarded bust of Lenin in Leipzig and drives it back to Britain. The least funny is Business with Friends, about a couple of young British fascists (Christopher Eccleston and Adie Allen) visiting neo-Nazis in Berlin and killing a Turkish immigrant on the way. Can't Stop Me Dreaming is a puzzle piece involving a Dutch film crew in Lancashire to make a documentary on George Formby. It is supposed to be about cultural misunderstanding and thwarted romance. Poor George. He should not be made to carry such ponderous baggage. (Ceefax) (5) (3040354)

10.10 Colour TV. A journey through the colour blue (r) (399373) 10.30 Newsnight with Peter Snow (523644)

11.15 The Late Show. Includes first reaction to the Booker Prize short-list (494828) 11.55 Weather (391354) 12.00 Open University: Brecht on Stage 12.25am Childbirth and Contraception (8053861). Ends at 12.55



An appointment in Germany: Eccleston and Allen (9.00pm)

.00 TV-am (5992335) 9.25 Win, Lose or Draw. Celebrity game show hosted by Danny Baker (6596354) 9.55 Thames News (7066083)

10.00 The Time . . . The Place . . . Mike Scott continues with his weeklong discussion series examining the state of marriage in the 1990s (7330118)

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10.40 This Morning. Magazine series presented by Judy Finnigan and Richard Madeley. Today's edition includes items on consumer affairs, family law and herbal lore. With national and international news at 10.55 and regionbal news at 11.55 followed by national treather (06:66:51)

12.10 Alforts. For the very young (r) (5100002)
12.30 Lunchtime News. (Oracle) Weather (2178731) 1.05 Thames News (2444606)

1.15 Home and Away. Australian family drama serial. (Orade) 1.45 A Country Practice. Medical drama series set in an Australian outback town (s) (229002)

2.15 Graham Kerr. The Antipodean chef prepares a low fat, low calorie veal bucco with risotto (211083) 2.45 Take the High Road. Drama serial set in the Highlands (4440426)
3.10 ITN News headlines (4877557) 3.15 Thames News headlines (4876828) 3.20 The Young Doctors. Drama series about the patients and staff of an Australian city hospital (3972170)
3.50 Graham Times (2777528) 3.55 Secretar Doc (4457809) 4.20

3.50 Cartoon Time (3777538) 3.55 Scooby Doo (5457809) 4.20
Grotbags. A new series starring Carol Lee-Scott as the green-haired witch (s) (8123267) 4.40 Wooff Cornedy series about a boy who changes into a dog at the most inconvenient times (r). (Orade)

(s) (96917<u>9</u>3) Blockbusters. General knowledge quiz for teenagers, presented by Bob Holness (9259441)

5.40 Early Evening News. (Oracle) Weather (790809) 5.55 Thames Help (r) (566422) 6.00 Home and Away (r). (Oracle) (489) 6.30 Thames News (441)

7.00 Take Your Pick. Des O'Connor with another edition of the yes/no game show (s) (2880)



Bowling along: a confident Percy (Bill Waddington) (7.30pm)

7.30 Coronation Street. It is the day of the bowls finals and Alf Roberts is worried that Percy has already had four consecutive wins. Starring Bryan Mosley and Bill Waddington. (Oracle) (625) 8.00 The Darling Buds of May: A Breath of French Air. A typically wet English summer convinces the Larkin family that they should take their holidays in France. A two-hour special concludes the re-

run of the comedy series based on the novels by H.E. Bates, starring David Jason and Pam Ferris. (Oracle) (s) (4712) 10.00 News at Ten. (Oracle) Weather (60828) 10.30 Thames News

(194083)10.40 Film: The Holcroft Covenant (1985) staming Michael Caine, Anthony Andrews, Victoria Tennant and Lilli Pairner. Far-fetched thriller, based on the novel by Robert Ludium, about one of the offspring of three Nazi generals who, 40 years after their suicide, is summoned from New York to Geneva where \$4 billion awaits him, to be distributed supposedly to make amends for their wrongdoing. Directed by John Frankenheimer (93797731)

12.45am Hollywood Report. Gossip from the movie capital, presented by Richard Jobson (14126) 1.15 Film: The Satanic Rites of Dracula (1973) starring Christopher Lee and Peter Cushing. A feeble Hammer horror about a police investigation into a black magic cult that leads them to a mansion

nivesugation into a black magic curk that leads them to a marison owned by a property speculator. Directed by Alan Gibson (508213)

2.45 America's Top Ten (s) (90590)

3.15 Videofashion. Paris-based Japanese designers (29481671)

3.40 Quiz Night. Pub and club quiz competition (74216497)

4.10 Grand Ole Opry. Country and western music from Nashville, Tennessee (r) (10930403)

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4.40 Fifty Years On (b/w). Vintage newsreels (88506768) 5.00 Three's Company. American domestic cornedy series (84478)
5.30 ITN Morning News (11403). Ends at 6.00 CHANNEL 4

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9.25 The Lope Ranger (b/w). Classic western adventures starring John Hart as the eponymous hero (6503644)
9.50 Get Smart. Spoof spy series (9168422)
10.20 Film: Doctor's Orders (1934, b/w) starring Leslie Fuller, Ronald Shiner and John Mills. Dated British cornedy about a medical student who discovers that his father is a carrival quack. Directed by Norman Lea (8267015)

student who discovers that his tather is a carrival quack. Directed by Norman Lee (8360915)

11.35 The King's Stamp (b/w). The story of the production of King George V Silver Jubilee stamps (2694606)

12.00 More Winners. Australian children's drama serial (r) (98199)

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1.00 Sesame Street. Pre-school learning series. The guest is Cagney and Lacey actress Tyne Daly (r) (98737)

2.00 Great Russian Writiers. A Russian-made documentary biography of Vladimir Mayakovsky. Narrated by Alan Dobie. (Teletext) (86926996)

of Vladimir Mayekovsky. Narrated by Alan Doble. (feletext) (86926996)

2.25 Channel 4 Raicing from Doncaster. Brough Scott introduces live coverage of the 2.35, 3.10, 3.40 and 4.10 races (34267335)

4.30 Countdown. Another round of the words and numbers game, presented by Richard Whiteley (538)

5.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show. This edition offers jilted lovers the opportunity to ask their former partners why they left (7872680)

5.50 The Bumbury Tails. Animation (589373)

6.00 Treasure Hunt. Anneka Rice scampers breathlessly across Lincolnshire in the search for hidden treasure (r). (Teletext) (87083)

7.00 Channel 4 News. (Teletext) Weather (625625)

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7.00 Channel 4 News. (Teletext) Weather (625625)
7.50 Comment (834915)
8.00 Brookside. Soap set in suburban Merseyside. (Teletext) (s) (9170)
8.30 Anton: Mosimann — Naturally. The chef prepares a simple, alcoholic, fondue in the Emmental Alps () (5977)
9.00 Tomado Down: A Cutting Edge Special.

© CHOKCE: On the first day of the Gulff war an RAF Tomado bomber crewed by pilot John Peters and navigator John Nicol was shot down in the Iraqi desert. The men were captured, brutally interrogated, paraded on television and released only after spending more than six weeks in captivity. In Tomado Down Peters and Nicol tell their story. Apart from lightly sketched elements of reconstruction and occasional inserts of news footage, this remarkable film consists entirely of two talking heads. It is a simple treatment which works triumphantly, Indeed Peters and Nicol have such a vivid and detailed recall that the piece could have been almost as effective on radio. At the heart of it is the men's courageous determination not to break down in face of a

courageous determination not to break down in face of a controlled physical assault by their captors. (Teletext) (2933083) 10.05 The Golden Girls. More delcious humour from the Miami matrons (r). (Teletext) (283354)



Manic host: Jenny Edair finds new comic talent (10.40pm)

10.40 Packing Them In. A new series of comedy and variety acts hosted by Jenry Eder and Frank Skinner (514996) 11:25 Mojo Working. A showsase of sorigs by John Lennon (s) (546422) 11:55 The Steve Allen Show (b/w). American comedy series from the 1950s. Tonight's guests include Milton Berle and Elvis Presley

(975170) 12.25am Film: Bharashtachar (1988). Director Barnesh Sippy explores corruption in Indian institutions that were once held sacro the censors — pelitics, religion, the judiciary and the police (45523316). Ends at 3.40

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Worlds (554958) 4.20 Shady Tales
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violin, Richard Tunniciffe, cello, and Paul Nicholson, harpsichord/organ, perform Corelli (Sonata In G. Op 5 No. 3); Tartini (Sonata In G minor,

Devil's Trill)

4.90 Choral Evensong live from
All Saints' Church, Margaret

Air Saints' Church, Margaret
Street, London
5.00 In Tune with Edward
Greenfield presenting music,
news and interviews
8.00 Proms 1992: The Vienna
Philharmonic Orchestra under
Claudio Abbado performs
Haydon's Symphony No 100 in
G (Military); Mahler
(Symphony No 1 in D)

(Symphony No 1 in D). In the interval at 8.35 Vienna: The

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9.55 Young Americans. 3: A New Place to Meet.

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8.58 Weather 9.00 News
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10.00 Keep It Clean (FM only): Laurence Alster discusses deodorants

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6.55am Weather 7.00 On Air. Piers Burton-Page

7.00 Ori Air: Hers Burton-Page presents music, news and arts 9.00 Composers of the Week: Tchakovsky, Part 3, 1885. (Marifred Symphony, Op 58: Concerngebouw Orchestra under Riccardo Chailly) 10.00 Midweek Choice with Susan Shame Scalatti (Sonatas in D. Sharpe. Scarlatti (Sonatas in D, Kk 490, 491 and 492: Gustav Leonhardt, harpsichord); Mozart (Dove Sono, Nozze di Figaro: Metropolitan Opera Orchestra under James Levine

with Leontyne Price, soprano); Gottschalk (Union, Paraphrase de Concert: Alan Marks, piano); Hummel (Trumpet Concerto in E: Academy of St Martin under Neville Mariner with Haakan Hardenberger, trumpet); Lex Van Delden (Bafadis: Amsterdam PO under (Bafads: Amsterdam PO under (Bafads: Amsterdam PO under Anton Kersjes); Sulivan (Savoy Dances: Pro Arte Orchestra under Stanford Robinson); Vivaldi (Stabat Mater, RV621: Academy of Ancient Music under Christopher Homeson

under Christopher Hogwood)
11.40 BBC Symphony Orchestra
under Alexander Lazarev with
Dong Suk Kang, violin,
performs Tchaikovsky (Fantasy
Overture, Hamlet); Glazunov
(Violin Concerto in A minor);
Rachmaniony (Symphony No 3 achmaninov (Symphony No 3 in A minor) (r)

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1.00 pm News

1.05 Choral Songs. Monteverd:
Choral Songs. Monteverd:
Choir under John Eliot
Gardiner with Robert Levin,
piano, Anthony Halstead and
Christian Rutherford, horns,
Delyth Wynne, harp, performs
Schubert (Nadrityesiang im
Walde, D913); Brahms (Three
Songs, Op 42; Four Songs for
women's voices, two horrs
and harp, Op 17; Four
Quartets, Op 92) (r)

1.55 Evelyn Glennie, percussion,
introduces her recital which
includes music ranging from
Albeniz to Poul Ruders (r)

2.50 BBC Welsh SO under En Shao
with Philip Fowke, piano,
performs Mendelssohn
(Overture, The Fair Melusine);
Schumann (Piano Concerto in
A minor)

Aminor) oque Violin 3.35 Late Ba Sonatas: Eizabeth Wailfisch,

Albert Hall is that the moment the Prom transmission ends, Young Americans begins. In this series, the Irish novelist Timothy O'Grady talks to young American writers, promising and established. Tonight's subjects come from Los Angeles white Douglas Coupland, whose first novel Generation X has sold more than 120,000 copies, and black Trey Ellis who, against the odds, finds humour all around him. Los Angeles being a TV-saturated city, Young Americans producer Deing a In-source con-young Americans producer Noah Richler tonight uses channel-toopping and the sub-cultures it exposes as the frenetic framework for the two interviews Binchols's Women: two 10.70 15th-century songs written from a woman's standpoint 10.40 Utrecht Early Music Festival: Amsterdam Baroque Orchestra under Ton Koopman performs Mozart (Symphony No 12 in G, K110); Mozart/Michael Haydn (Symphony No 37 in G, K444); Mozart (Symphony No 37 in G, K444);

Mozart (Symphony No 31 in D, K297, Paris) 11.30 News 11.35 Composers of the Week: Darkis Milhaud (r)

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News 4.05 Meetingsonge: Brian Sibley reports on film releases including Tim Robbing's film, 866 Roberts. Also a report from the Vertice film Festival Short Story: Tommy's Day, by Peter Reseat

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7.05 The Archers (s)
7.20 Franchmen Desire Good
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Dovling in New Orleans (s)
7.45 Middidne Row (r)
8.15 Antony Hopkins Talking
About Music First of seven
programmes. Each week

programmes. Each week Hopkins explores a musical work or topic In Business: California— 8.45 in Business: California—
Running on Entpty. Peter Day reports on the economic reports on the economic troubles of California
9.15 Kaleidoscope (5) (7)
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eccentric swimmer Ceptain
Matthew Webb (r)
P Four Seasons. In the last
programme of this series Phil
Smith records the Impact of
winter on everyday life (r)
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